



Public urges council to reject town centre traffic flow plans

TOWN councillors are to carry on negotiating over proposals to reconfigure Dorchester's town centre roads.

Council leader Trevor Jones warned that if the council rejected the controversial proposals outright the town would lose millions of pounds of investment.

At a meeting of the town council planning committee on Monday night members of the public called for outright rejection of the £5million county council proposals. Hundreds came to listen to the debate with more than 20 invited to have their say.

Objectors argued that it made no sense to simply move traffic from High West and High East Street to residential streets such as Great Western Road, Cornwall Road, Princes Street and Damers Road.

There was also criticism of plans to reverse the traffic flow in Colliton Street and the effects that would

by Trevor Bevins

have on roads around North Square. Others were concerned that the proposals would "cut off" Brewery Square, the Market and South Rail Station from the town centre.

Several spoke of the need to reduce traffic levels in the town centre and find ways of encouraging motorists to use the bypass. The police were criticised for failing to stop HGVs using the town centre as a through route.

"If you kill this tonight the money will go for a generation and if the money goes nothing at all will be done," said Councillor Trevor Jones, responding to

calls from the public to abandon the plans.

He said: "All we are asking is for a few months to come up with something better...we need a chance to knock this into shape."

In a proposal written before the meeting planning committee members voted to support the principles behind the scheme, to reduce traffic levels in High West and High East Streets, and to carry on negotiating with the county council to come up with a scheme which reduced town centre traffic without having a detrimental effect on residential roads.

Public speakers were critical of the scheme's proposals which they said would simply increase the

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TALK to almost anyone about walking in the Dorchester area and the name of Sue Blake will almost certainly be mentioned.

Sue has long been associated with not only the Ramblers but the West Line Rail Walks and the Strollers. She was a key player in setting up the Jubilee Trail across the county and has championed rights of access for walkers across Dorset.

But she might equally be mentioned for her work with the Access group, at the County Library, with Unison, as a member of the Friends of the West Station or the many years she and her late husband, Phil, spent working for the Methodist Church.

It is no surprise that earlier in the year she was awarded a British Empire Medal for her community involvement, especially for her passion of encouraging others to enjoy the countryside by walking, or walking through Dorchester with the Strollers as a means of getting some gentle exercise.

The list of organisations which Mrs Blake has been involved with seems almost endless – others of note include the Dorset Archaeological Committee and the Dorchester Area Partnership, membership secretary of the Colliton Club – not to mention a spell as parish clerk at Broadmayne and as an officer of the Dorset Branch of the Society of Local Councils Clerks.

She was born in a village outside Oxford where her passion for walking in the countryside was nurtured and came to Dorset in 1960 when her husband, then fiancé, was transferred from Harwell to Winfrith.

Sue herself transferred to Dorset County Council. They both lived separately, in digs, until they married, moving into their home on the Manor Park estate in July 1961, where Sue still lives today.

● WHAT did you think of Dorchester when you first arrived?

It was strange because we would walk down South Street and see the same people we used to see in Abingdon or other towns near Harwell, so many other people we used to know up there had been transferred to Winfrith at the time.

Dorchester was then, and still is, a friendly town where people would readily stop and talk, but it was easier for us because of our involvement in the church.

In those days there were few places to go in the evenings if you didn't want to go to a pub so people often ended up at our home playing Monopoly or Whist. We tended to make our own entertainment.



● WHEN did you renew your passion for walking?

We were too busy with the church and everything else for many years so there was no time for walking but in 1986 I spotted a programme of walks put up in the library by the Casterbridge Ramblers and persuaded a friend to come along with me.

Within a year I was programmes secretary, which I did for 11 years, and also started leading walks on Saturdays or Sundays. I also joined the Ramblers in the late 80s and became area membership secretary and also publicity officer for Dorset.

It was while I was on the Area Council we formed a sub-

committee and organised the Jubilee Trail working together with all four groups to complete the 90 miles from Forde Abbey to Bokerley Dyke.

● YOU are now more involved with The Strollers, the Dorchester group which encourages people to walk to keep fit. How did that come about?

I was looking for something to do when I retired in 2003 and said that I would lead a few walks but since then it's grown and I seem to have taken on a range of other tasks as well, apart from co-ordinating all the walks.

● APART from the walking what have you done, or do you do, to keep your mind active?

I've completed an Open University degree and studied law and economics at Weymouth College. I also like to try and complete a crossword every day and I like to read, mostly fairly light fiction. I'm a bit of a John Buchan buff and have even visited his grave. He was very similar to my father in law in many respects. I also like music and tend to have Classic FM on all day.

● DOES TV or cinema interest you?

Yes, I've been to the cinema about five times in the last couple of weeks. I've recently seen "Philomena", "Saving Mr Banks", "Last Chance" and "The Butler".

I don't seem to find time to watch TV when programmes are on but I like to record things which I am interested in. I quite like CSI.

● AND if you were abandoned on a desert island and could choose someone to have with you, who would it be?

Someone with survival skills, like Bear Grylls; someone who would take charge like Margaret Thatcher who would also be interesting to talk to and possibly someone who has a wide knowledge of the natural world like Chris Packham. If I was on an island I would miss the British countryside, books and a radio and if I couldn't take my iPad I would have to try and take some jigsaws puzzles and crosswords.

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Decision time for buses

A DECISION is being made today, Wednesday, December 4th, about the future of the county's bus services.

Under original proposals to save £850,000 a year in subsidies many weekend and evening services, especially to villages, would have been cut.

But after public consultation county councillors have changed some of their proposals – including saving some at-threat Dorchester services.

More than a thousand individuals wrote to the county council about the cuts – many warning of rural isolation and difficulty in getting to work or going out to meet family and friends, especially at weekends. The council also received ten petitions opposing the cuts.

The Dorchester services which look likely to be saved are the Monday to Saturday routes

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1,2 and 6. Other routes being re-examined include the X53, from Lyme Regis through Bridport to Weymouth.

Councillor Hilary Cox, Cabinet member for environment, said: "We are carefully considering all the responses we have received, and looking at all the options available. We aim to ensure no community will be cut off or left without a service that currently has a service."

The county council needs to save £850,000 from its £2.8 million bus subsidy budget by April caused by the Government cutting its subsidy for public transport to local councils.

County councillors have been told that "positive discussions" were taking place with local bus companies to find workable solutions, and

that the possibility of developing more community transport schemes was being investigated.

Councillor Cox added: "Some very useful suggestions have been made which we will take into account wherever possible in the final recommendations"

"In the current financial climate, we must ensure that we achieve value for money for the Dorset taxpayers. This review is not something we have undertaken lightly, and we fully understand that some bus services offer a lifeline to residents without transport of their own. But there are ways of dealing with the potential for rural isolation other than a bus."

"We are listening to what people have said, and are working hard to come up with some options that deal with the need and provide value for money for taxpayers."

Traffic plan 'doesn't address fundamental problem'

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length of some cross-town journeys, increasing pollution and moving it to roads where people lived and children walked to school.

"This scheme does nothing to remove traffic from the town – it simply moves it around within the town... It's the same amount of vehicles travel-

ling further and longer," said Russell Adcock.

Rick Birley, who had been involved in organising the original protest meeting, asked planners to remember that towns are for people, not cars.

"It is about time we considered the needs of people first, not cars. We need a radical new mindset... this plan doesn't ad-

dress the fundamental problem at all."

Simon Dinage said he found it "galling to be told that only one part of the town is in need of protecting," and that residential roads would be sacrificed for the sake of the high streets.

His view was echoed by Alan Rowley from the Dorchester Civic Society: "We support the objectives, but this has too many losers and not enough winners."

Chief engineer for highway improvements Tim Norman told the audience

that the council couldn't "magic away" the cars and was unable to build significant extra capacity in the town.

He said one of the advantages of the proposals was that they could be tried and reversed if they were found not to be working. He made a pledge to carry on listening to people's views and to look at changes to the scheme.

"This is not a 'done-deal'. We are here to listen... we do recognise there is a lack of trust and that people believe we

will build what we want to build, but I can assure you that is not the case," he said.

An exhibition of the proposals will be available in the foyer at County Hall from December 7th with the deadline for comments now extended to December 20th



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DORSET Wildlife Trust (DWT) is celebrating after the Government confirmed the immediate designation of 27 Marine Conservation Zones (MCZ) including Chesil Beach and Stennis Ledges in Dorset.

DWT has harnessed public support for its campaign for MCZs in Dorset to ensure the protection of a huge diversity of marine species and habitats.

It said the Government announcement was "a very

important step towards the creation of a network which will ensure the healthy future of our seas".

DWT's Living Seas manager Peter Tinsley added: "This is great news for Dorset and a big step to-

wards recovery of the marine environment.

"These are not no-go areas and will continue to see a variety of uses but will now be managed for the recovery and enhancement of marine habitats and species.

"It will also be beneficial for fixed gear local fisherman as one of the outcomes will be restrictions on mobile fishing.

"We would like to thank everyone who has supported the campaign for MCZs so far and especially those who have helped collect the evidence to support the designation."

Chesil and Stennis Ledges provides a home for one of the most distinctive soft-corals, the pink seafan, and South Dorset has an area of mixed seabed habitats lying in deeper, tide-swept water.

Originally six sites were recommended in Dorset. A plan for two further tranches of MCZs is in place for 2015-16 and 2016-17 and DWT hopes that the remaining three recommended areas, including Broadbench to Kimmeridge Bay, South of Portland and Studland Bay will be considered for the second tranche.

Mr Tinsley said: "We still need the support of the public to help champion the network of MCZs in England."

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A teddy bear's Christmas



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The human size family of 14 teddy bears is unique and will be on show, engages in a range of seasonal activities, until December 13th.

The museum has created an "olde tyme Christmas" theme with festive sights and sounds with a special Christmas story to guide visitors around the house.

The Museum is open every day from 10am to 4pm until December 13th and then reopens after Christmas on 27th December when "Teddy Bears at Christmas" continues until twelfth night.

Pictured is one of the life-sized teddy bear at Dorchester's Teddy Bear Musuem.

First aid duo spring into action at football game

A DORCHESTER St John Ambulance volunteer and two doctors from the county hospital helped save an elderly man who suffered a heart attack at a Bournemouth football game.

Pam West was the first aid charity's duty officer at the match and rushed to the incident with fellow St John Ambulance volunteers Julie Lane and David Wray-Cook.

They found the patient in cardiac arrest and moved him to a safe, flat area, away from the crowd, before Pam gave life-saving chest compressions to try and get his heart going. Meanwhile Julie called for assistance from NHS paramedics who were also at the game.

"Having been involved in a successful resuscitation outside of the hospital setting leaves you feeling good and all the training and hard work is worth it," said Pam, who works as a paediatric sister at Dorset County Hospital.

"I have not been involved with an adult cardiac arrest for a few years but I was able to transfer my paediatric skills to the adult patient, with an excellent result."



PAM West and Dr Phil Parslow

The first aiders were also assisted by Dr Phil Parslow, a consultant paediatrician who works with Pam at Dorset County Hospital and was acting as crowd doctor at the match, alongside his colleague, Dr Mike Masding.

"It's been a long while since I resuscitated an adult, too," said Phil. "For me, being in an unfamiliar situation, it was great having Pam there, who I am used to working with in caring for very sick patients – although usually they are much younger."

The volunteers continued helping the patient and assisted paramedics once NHS staff arrived, after a few minutes.

Phil added: "We had a great team on the day – the St John Ambulance crew, NHS paramedics, my fellow crowd doctor, Dr Masding and me."

"Everyone played a vital role in saving the man's life."

For information on how to volunteer with St John Ambulance, learn first aid or book trained first aiders for your event, telephone 08700 10 49 50 or visit www.sja.org.uk.

Necklace record for auction

A JEWELLERY record is expected to be broken at a Dorchester auction sale this week.

A diamond necklace from a private collection is expected to fetch up to £150,000 when it goes under the hammer on Thursday, December 5th.

The piece is made up of 53 diamonds amounting to over 64 carats.

Dukes existing top price for a piece of jewellery was £84,000 for an emerald-set turban brooch.

The same sale will also see the auction of a rare poppy – picked from the battlefields of the First World War.

It was taken from the trenches of Arras in north-east France by 17-year-old British soldier Private Cecil Roughton in 1916, who picked it and pressed it flat between the pages of his notebook.

It was later given to the daughter of a neighbour by the soldier and is believed to be the oldest Poppy in the country.

Santa sleigh to visit town

DORCHESTER Rotary Club's Christmas Sleigh will make its first appearance in the town today, Wednesday 4th, at Tesco.

Volunteers from the charity will be there until 5pm.

The sleigh will also be in South Street on Saturday, December 7th, Wednesday 11th, Friday 13th, Wednesday 18th and Friday 20th between 9am and 5pm.

The local charities which will benefit from the collections being made by Rotarians are - The Women's Refuge, Weldmar Hospice Trust, Young Carers and other Rotary supported charities.

Diesel stolen from fuel tank

DIESEL has been stolen from a locked tank and a commercial vehicle in Peverell Avenue East, Poundbury.

Dorchester police say the fuel was taken between 4.30pm on Friday, November 22nd and 7.30am on Monday 25th.

Bank cash boost for refuge

THE West Dorset Women's Refuge has received a £3,000 bonus from the Lloyds Bank Community fund – after local people voted for the charity earlier this year.

Chair of supporters Molly Rennie said she was delighted, on behalf of the refuge, its staff and residents that the funding had been won by public vote: "Without the support of people like yourselves with in our local and wider community the work done by

Refuge would not be able to continue and fewer families would find the help they need.

"This is all due to the support you have given voting online or putting your tokens in our box."

The refuge topped the local poll with 37 per cent of the vote.

Other local winners were the Dorset Parent Carer Council which also received £3,000 with £300 going to the Westfield Arts College in Weymouth.

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Christmas arrives at Brewery Square with skating rink



■ SKATERS enjoyed the rink late into the evening on Saturday

DORCHESTER'S Brewery Square was filled to capacity for the opening of the town's first skating rink on Saturday.

Angels on stilts, ballet dancer and fire dancers all added to the excitement as the Square's lights were switched on and the rink opened for skating.

"This has been our biggest crowd yet – far bigger than for carnival," said a delighted developer Andrew Wadworth.

"The great thing about the development is that everybody seems to love it and it's bringing people back into Dorchester in the evenings," he said.

Mr Wadworth said that the development company had spent around £50,000 buying the rink, installing it and putting up trees and around 150,000 lights to give the Square a festive feel.

"And the good thing is that we now have the rink and will be putting it up again next year," he said. Bookings for the first evening had sold out within a couple of hours and every session for Sunday and Monday were also fully booked.



■ DELIGHTED developer Andrew Wadworth



■ SKATE rink opening drew big crowds



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Yellow post boxes return

THE bright yellow boxes of Dorchester's annual Scout Post are about to appear again in the county town and surrounding villages.

And for the first time the service is being extended to the Bridport area.

The Dorchester service, run by adult volunteers, has been in operation for 25 years and each year collects and delivers up to 35,000 cards.

Yellow collections boxes can be found in shops and other public areas with those using the service asked to pop their cards into the boxes together with a donation for delivery – suggested at a minimum of half the price of a current second class stamp.

The collection service will operate until December 19th.

Deliveries can only be made to towns and villages covered by the service. These are listed on yellow leaflets which are being delivered over the coming days to all households within the delivery area.

The service is operated by the Scout Council, the adult group which supports Scouting in the area.

If you would like to help with deliveries, or sorting the cards, contact Debbie, Scout Post Co-ordinator on 01305 852314 or email - scoutpost@dwdscouts.org.uk.

Museum gifts for Xmas

DORSET County Museum is hoping to tempt seasonal shoppers to try out its gift shop for unusual presents.

The shop stocks a range of toys and games for children, jewellery, scarves, mugs and books.

Entry to the shop and the museum's tea room is free – something which many local people are unaware of, according to the museum.

A visit will also offer the chance to see the current exhibition The Heart that Fed, which features the work of two local artists – paintings by Nell Race and sculptures by Angelika Seik.



Cardiologist scores award hat-trick

■ DORSET County Hospital's award-winning consultant cardiologist Dr Fraser Witherow

A DORSET County Hospital cardiologist has scored a hat-trick of awards this year.

Consultant Dr Fraser Witherow's award winning year started in June when he won the best clinical case competition at the national "Heart Live" meeting in Manchester.

He was then a finalist in the international "Radialist of the Year" competition at the Advanced International Masterclass in Transradial Intervention presented in New York.

This competition celebrates the most skilled operators in the field of interventional cardiology performing coronary stenting procedures via the radial artery.

Dr Witherow then collected his third award at the Transcatheter Therapeutics Conference in San Francisco, gaining second place in the "Challenging Case Competition".

The Transcatheter Therapeutics meeting is the largest and most prestigious meeting of interventional cardiologists from around the world that occurs annually and has around 10,000 delegates.

Dr Witherow said that he was delighted and honoured to be considered for the awards.

He said: "The awards reflect the very high quality of cardiology services provided at Dorset County Hospital, not just at a national but an international level."

Young writers' competition deadline looms

YOUNG writers have until the end of the month to compose their entry to a Rotary Club writing competition.

"What a difference THAT made to my life/their lives" is the competition title for a story of up to 500 words. The "That" can be anything which the storyteller wishes to define or imagine.

Dorchester Casterbridge Rotary Club is calling for entries from children in the age groups seven-10 (junior) and 11-13 (intermediate).

The local competition is part of an Annual National Competition organised by Rotary International Britain & Ireland to help and encourage young people to develop their writing skills with imagination and creativity.

Winners of the local competition will go on to a district competition and the successful writ-

ers from that contest will go to the national level.

Several local schools have been invited to participate in the competition and the event is open to young people who live in Dorchester or its surrounds or go to school in Dorchester/Puddletown.

An entry form is required for each submission which can either be obtained by e-mail from the Rotary Club's organiser - rowland.cornell@tiscali.co.uk, or from reception at The Kings Arms Hotel, High East Street, Dorchester.

The competition is sponsored by Waterstones of Dorchester and small prizes will be given to the best three submissions in each of the two age groups.

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Music for Advent

MUSIC for Advent will be presented by the Occasional Singers with conductor Richard Hall and David Bruce-Payne at St Mary's Church this Sunday, December 8th.

The concert will take place at 4.30pm in the church at Edward Road Dorchester.

The choir, to be joined by a guest organist, will be giving a varied programme including music by Brahms, Dyson and Malcolm Archer.

The concert is free with a retiring collection.

Festive fundraising

DORCHESTER'S Casterbridge Rotary Club has teamed up with the Farmers Market to bring to the town a well-timed event for the Christmas festivities.

It will take place at Queen Mother Square this Saturday, December 7th, between 9am and 2pm.

Music from the Rotary Club's carol float will set the mood and the lucky winners of the raffle will get to take home a hamper full of goodies; win a Christmas meal for two at the Poet Laureate or an extra bottle on the sideboard over the holiday.

Orchard helpers needed

TRANSITION Town Dorchester is inviting people to help maintain a community apple orchard.

Volunteers will be working this Saturday, December 7th, between 11am and 3pm on the site close to the Culliford Road rail bridge.

The orchard has been created on what was an area of overgrown land which has been cleared of brambles and sycamores and planted with trees and fruit bushes. The site includes a pond and a place for picnics.

Volunteers are asked to come suitably dressed for working outdoors.

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PICTURED are residents enjoying tea

CHRISTCHURCH Court in Dorchester was awash with tea for a fundraising coffee morning.

Dorchester resident, Katrina Parry, raised more than £100 for cancer charity, MacMillan, by selling tea, coffee and home-made cakes.

She also organised a bring and buy sale and games such as "guess how many coffee beans in the jar".

Katrina said: "MacMillan is a charity that is really close to my heart. I've had cancer and I have a close family

member who has recently been diagnosed. They do such fantastic work but they need every penny they can get to keep helping people with cancer and their families.

"I'd like to thank all the Dorchester Moose members who came along to support me. I really couldn't have done it without them. I'd also like to thank Magna Housing who let me use the communal room to hold the event."

Cuts to police budget could lead to rise in tax

DORSET residents may be asked to pay more for the county's police services.

Police and Crime Commissioner Martyn Underhill says continuing Government cuts to police budgets is now a major problem.

He is warning that he is considering an above-inflation increase in the police share of the council tax for 2014-15 and will be consulting on the idea later this month.

Mr Underhill has also been co-ordinating a call from South West police forces to the Home Office for more money.

In a letter to Minister of State, Damian Green, he warns of the effect of on-going cuts in Government grants, coupled with an increase in costs to fund projects such as the national computer system and funding for the Independent Police Complaints Commission.

"There needs to be recognition that while funds will be diverted, a substantial work load will remain in force and will have to be locally funded. This must, therefore, impact on local front line numbers or on the level of the local precept," said Mr Underhill.

Thousand shoeboxes sent to serving troops

OVER a thousand shoeboxes filled with Christmas gifts are being flown to troops serving overseas from collections in South and West Dorset.

Dorchester-based Support our Soldiers organisers Chris and Amanda Worsfold say they are amazed by the response this year.

"We achieved over a thousand, which was out target, despite struggling a bit to find suitable collection points.

"This compares to the 50 we normally send out each month," said Chris, "Nationally more than 12,500 boxes will be sent to the troops for Christmas."

School festive craft fair

MORE than 20 stalls will be available offering gifts, crafts, food, decorations and local produce at the Piddle Valley First School Christmas Fayre this Friday, December 6th.

Admission costs £1 includes a glass of mulled wine and mince pies.

The gates will be open at 6pm.

The event will also have a cinema showing a Christmas movie for children.

Church Christmas bazaar

AT St Peter's Church will be holding a Christmas Bazaar between 10am and noon on Saturday, December 7th.

Ideas for gifts and presents will be available on a number of stalls.

There is free admission to the event.

Next door in the Corn Exchange the Macmillan cancer charity will be holding a craft fayre from 10am until 4pm.

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Crime prevention advice for horseowners

■ SCATS manager Sue Langford, PCSO Sarah Pilcher and Maria Turner from Cowden Farm who had come along to have her saddle security marked

HORSE owners in the Dorchester area took advantage of a free tack marking session and crime prevention advice at Scats Countrystore, Dorchester on Saturday, November 30th.

Police officers were in the store throughout most of the day offering crime advice for those in rural areas as well as those who have sheds and outbuildings in the town. Dorchester, in particular, has suf-

fered a series of break-in to sheds and garages in recent months.

The officers were also promoting the Dorset Horse Watch scheme where members receive information about horse-related crimes and can get advice to prevent themselves becoming victims.

Tips include always locking equipment, keeping tack room windows covered and secured with metal bars, noting the number of

strange vehicles, reporting suspicious callers to the police and keeping a description of horses and ponies as well as equipment.

One of the measures which was being promoted at SCATS on Saturday was marking tack with the owner's postcode – a task carried out by PCSO Sarah Pilcher using metals stamps on leather. Items can also be marked with an invisible ink and using an electronic tag.

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The Dorset Pedlar & Piercing with Linda

Body Piercing – A Recent Fashion Fad? Actually Steeped In History and Tradition.

Some may consider body piercing as a self-imposed rite of passage, where the body represents a canvas, a space to mix and match physical and cultural elements, attempting to define who or what you are.

Circa 1976, punk culture barged into lives of the reserved British with a bang. Revelling in disrespect for accepted behaviour or tradition, punks went about ranting against the predictable world of their elders. Besides insulting the Crown, they heaped abuse on nuclear energy, the economy, working practices and the media. Liberally covering themselves in tattoos depicting their thoughts and attitudes, they re-invented body piercing in its crudest form, using safety pins, studs and rings to adorn their noses, eyebrows, lips and cheeks.

Some 35 years on, the punks have created a loyal, up-market following. Top models, sporting personalities, pop and showbiz stars push up their profiles with body art and piercings. The young and also not-so-youthful citizens have appropriated once 'underground' practices to enter into a trendy, mainstream element largely accepted today.

Let us look at a few popular piercings and how they evolved historically.

Nostril and Septum – many cultures have documented evidence of this practice globally, for example, tribesmen in the Amazon regions and New Guinea. Their piercings are enhanced with traditional signature adornments such as feathers, bone, wood and even stone.

eyebrow – evidence shows that this piercing was adapted from religious practice, such as the Thaipusam festival of the Hindu.

Tongue – this popular piercing was originally practiced in bloodletting ceremonies of the ancient Mayan cultures. Although considered a temporary venture for the Mayans, their priestesses wore a permanent bone tongue adornment. Today, many people, including dentists would question the wisdom of tongue piercing. Health risks and complications recorded include nerve damage, numbness at site of piercing, drooling and altered speech, damaged sense of taste, damage to teeth, even swallowing and risk of infection due to unsterile practices.

Lip/labret – Often to be found portrayed in National Geographic publications, with pictures of the large lip plates of

the Sufa and other tribes-people, such as the Acha of Eastern Paraguay. On a less dramatic scale, these piercings have progressed into western body art, the poles and plates of the original wearers now replaced with labret studs and lip rings.

Cheek/ Jaguar Whiskers – cheek piercing was a temporary exercise, a ritual performed during certain middle-Eastern Ceremonies, but has also been documented as a permanent piercing in areas ranging from Alaska to the tip of South America. Today's fashion is for the labret studs and (rarely) plugs to be worn in cheek piercings, the latter known in South America as 'Jaguar Whiskers'.

The navel – this piercing was once a greatly revered mark of Egyptian royalty and denied to commoners. Today the navel piercing, adorned with jewellery, is one of the most popular.

Earlobe/cartilage – The ear is the most popular of today's piercing sites, recognised worldwide. However placement and style of jewellery is very varied, progressing around the ear, a site unique to each individual and providing a site for a wide variety of piercings.

So what should you consider before your first – actually before any piercing?

1. Piercing can inflict permanent damage if not done correctly.
2. DIY piercing is dangerous and the internet does not have all the answers.

What does the law say about piercing?

An Act of Parliament states that all piercing practitioners must be licensed by their local authority, for both the premises and the person carrying out the piercing. If these licenses are not displayed, ask to see them!

Practitioners must be competent and possess evidence of their training and qualifications; their studios must be insured for public liability and treatment risk. They must have a clinical waste and disposal procedure through a licensed provider and also a fully functioning and certificated method of equipment sterilisation.

They must be qualified in First Aid or have a qualified 1st-Aider on site when carrying out piercings and finally have access to hot and cold running water for hand washing in the piercing room.

Some other useful information.

In the UK, The British School of Body Piercing (BSBP) is recognised as the prime provider of training, practitioner registration etc.

The BSBP does not allow piercing on anyone under the age of 14 years – so no babies or small children. 14 – 16 year olds must be accompanied by a parent/guardian who must sign a form of consent and be present throughout the procedure. Over 16's whilst treated as an adult, must produce photo identification and proof of date of birth if any doubts arise as to age.

You should –

Always be given advice on the aftercare of your piercing and have easy access to your practitioner for consultation and assistance.

Always ask questions, look around, speak to other people about their experience, be confident before you go ahead that your practitioner knows and practices the very highest standards of sterilisation and hygiene.

Think about the risks – if practitioner's procedures or premises appear not to conform with accepted practices, then there may be a risk of blood-borne or other infection. The practitioner should never treat you without wearing disposable gloves.

You should –

Take good note that if your practitioner states that in his or her professional judgement a good piercing cannot be achieved, accept and act on that advice.

You should not –

Have a piercing whilst acting on peer pressure or just to please your friends

You should –

Make your own decision – it is your rite of passage and when completed look after your piercing, follow the advice your practitioner gives you and enjoy it.



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Joining in the festive fun

by Trevor Bevins

HUNDREDS of people joined in the festive fun at the Weldmar Hospice-care Trust's Traditional Christmas Market on Saturday (November 30th).

Around 30 stalls were available offering a range of festive, and not so festive, bargains while Santa's Grotto saw a steady queue throughout the day.

To help the event along in the right spirit there was music from the Durnovaria Silver Band

along with other entertainers.

Among the stalls were Christmas decorations, handcrafted items, gifts and cards with a wide variety of festive produce and treats on sale as well as gift tombola and stocking fillers.

Mulled wine, soup, mince pies and hot chestnuts were also on sale along with warming cups of hot chocolate and traditional German sausages, Bratwurst.



■ VOLUNTEER Frances Kirby and Debbie Powell from the Weldmar fund-raising office on the bookstall



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Bridport's Wild Camping Stoves Launch in USA

'It's great to see a local company formed in a West Country garage blossom into this vibrant international brand'

WILD STOVES, world leaders in wood-fuelled camping stoves, are one of those pleasant surprises in Bridport. Hidden in an office on West Street, the thriving company promotes ingenious portable camping stoves that cleanly and efficiently burn wood. They are used by outdoor lovers around the world who want convenient, 'eco' camp cooking. Business in the UK has flourished in recent years, and as the rest of the world notices, they have just launched a new online store in the USA.

Wild Stoves brings together a huge range of stoves and gear, all based around efficient combustion of wood. It boasts having 'something for everyone', from pizza ovens to lightweight backpacking stoves, rocket stoves to wood-burners for tents and caravans. All powered by wood – in many cases a meal can be cooked with just a handful of sticks.

In recent years business from Europe and beyond has gained momentum, and Wild Stoves now has trade partners for its flagship product the 'Wild Woodgas Stove' in a dozen countries across 5 continents. Katy Martin, who manages the Bridport office says 'We've seen a particular increase in interest from the USA, so launching there was the obvious next step. We're taking some of our own products into the US, as well as forming new partnerships with manufacturers there. It's excit-

ing.'

Wild Stoves also do the rounds of local shows, running workshops and demonstrating products – you may have seen them winning Small Trader of the Year at the Melplash Show. The company has strong links with local businesses & campsites, as well as locals and holiday-makers who explore West Dorset with a Wild Stove in their backpack.

Wild Stoves was set up by local scientist and entrepreneur Jonathan Rouse, building on a passion for the outdoors and a deep appreciation of wood as a fuel. He has spent the last decade working as an advisor on wood energy and stoves in Africa and Asia. 'In 2009 I was testing some stoves with women in Nigeria and had a

light-bulb moment. I realised how great these stoves would be for camping in the UK' says Jonathan. On his return, over a few drinks with wife and friends, they came up with the name and concept of Wild Stoves. 'It's been hard work but rewarding and we now have a vibrant business and a strong team. It's great to see a local company, started in a West Country garage a few years ago, blossom into this vibrant international brand. We really feel we're doing something useful and valued, locally and globally.'

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Opinions rewarded by Magna

A MAIDEN Newton woman has won a surprise windfall of £100, thanks to Dorchester-based Magna Housing Association.

"All I had to do was answer a few questions about what I thought of the annual report that Magna had sent me. It was quite straight-forward really," said Mrs Laura Jones.

When asked what she would spend the vouchers on, Mrs Jones said, "I don't think I'll see much of the money with Christmas coming up, but I don't mind."

"I have a daughter who lives in Scotland, so it will be really nice to be able to treat her this year."

Catriona Fountain, head of communication for Magna Housing Group, said: "We strongly believe in involving our residents as much as we can in the service we provide."

"The draw was open to all residents to enter and the feedback they gave us will help us to improve what we do."

"We offer vouchers as a way of encouraging more people to tell us what they think."

■ "COMMUNICATION Counts" was the theme for residents at this year's Magna Housing conference.

Instead of sitting back and listening to guest speakers, residents were invited to take part in a series of workshops.

Marianne Fendle, resident involvement manager, who was one of the conference organisers, said: "We were really keen to make this a conference where residents felt they'd played an important part."

"Everyone really entered into the spirit of the day and the feedback from the event has been overwhelmingly positive."

Adrian Robinson, who took part in one of the workshops, said, "We were asked to think about other organisations or people who offered a great customer experience. We then had to say why they were so good. I'm pleased that Magna wants to keep improving its services and make changes as a result of our suggestions."



■ MRS Laura Jones

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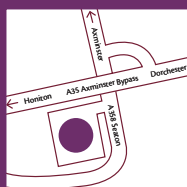
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"Volunteering is alive and well in Dorset, the event is our way of thanking and recognising those that provide essential services for many groups, community projects and volunteers should be recognised and praised formally," said Centre Manager, Marie Waterman.

"Volunteering in Dorset is growing and a vibrant community activity that we hope continues."

This celebration shows a fraction of the wonderful contribution people make every day and this is our thank you, for just a few of these... It's amazing to hear about how people get involved in volunteering and just how much people are willing to do to help others and their communities."

The categories included "Young Volunteers" (under 25s), "Volunteers of the Year", and "Groups of

the Year". All were nominated by their own organisations and recognised for their outstanding contribution, during 2013.

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Fort spokesman Jane Chandler said: "We also had traditional stalls such as ones for Christmas decorations, crafts and gifts and, of course, Santa was in his grotto. "Children were also able to get their faces painted

and join in a craft workshop to make crackers, cars and Christmas tree ornaments.

"We also had Christmas gift vouchers available and anyone who wants one can get them on the Fort's website at www.nothefort.org.uk.

"The market was our last event of 2013 and an important one for us in the run up to Christmas.

"Our next major event of 2014 will be the ever-popular Pirates' Day on Easter Sunday, April 21st."



■ NICOLA, Abigail and Jamie Richards on the Bedazzle Christmas jewellery stall



Sparkling in the park

■ CHILDREN made lanterns and jingle bells when the fourth annual Sparkle in the Park was held at Lodmoor, Weymouth.

The event, organised by the Friends of Lodmoor Country Park, also included Christmas decoration making and a snow picture competition with the best ones being displayed on the Friends' Facebook page.

Friends chairman Dinah Ellis said: "We worked with the Rio Grande miniature railway this year and they specially decorated their train and offered reduced prices as well as handing out our chocolate treats to our young lantern makers.

"All the donations we received will go towards paying for another bird's nest swing for the Park." Sparkling in the Park are, from left, Freya Oliver, Lily Bissett, Phoebe Oliver and Lois Lester.



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Sauage Meat Stuffing

Cook time:
Prep 15 min. 25 min, minimum baking time.
Cook it for 2-3 hours if filling it into the cavity of a turkey

Ingredients:

1 tsp butter, heaped
1 small onion, diced
1 eating apples
225 g pork sausage meat
100 g fresh white breadcrumbs
1 sprig thyme, leaves removed
1 pinches grated nutmeg
2 tbsp chopped parsley
0.5 lemons, juice

Method:

Heat the butter in a saucepan. Add the onions and soften over a low heat without colouring. Stir in the apples and continue cooking until they are just beginning to lose their shape. Remove the pan from the heat and set aside to cool.

Stir in the sausage meat, breadcrumbs, thyme, nutmeg and parsley. Squeeze in the lemon juice and beat well for about a minute to blend everything together.

Use this stuffing to fill a turkey before roasting, or you can bake it separately in an oven-proof dish. Bake at 180C/gas4 for about 25 minutes and serve hot with roast meat.

How to roast turkey perfectly

A generous smear of butter and a few onions are all that are necessary in this easy recipe.

Ingredients:

100g/3½oz butter, softened
2 tsp sea salt
2 tsp freshly ground black pepper
4.5kg/10lb turkey, with giblets removed and cavity wiped clean
3 large onions, halved

Method:

The bird should be prepared the night before. Mix the butter with the salt and freshly ground black pepper, then season the cavity of the bird.

Rub the butter mix all over the turkey. Fold a large piece of greaseproof paper to double thickness and lay over the breast to protect it during the cooking.

Leave it in the fridge overnight.

On the day you wish to serve the bird heat the oven to

220C/430F/Gas 7.

Take the turkey out of the fridge and allow it to come to room temperature while the oven is heating up.

Put the onions in a large roasting tray. Put the turkey on a trivet or wire rack in the tray.

Pour one cup of boiling water into the cavity of the bird and seal with a skewer. Pour two cups of boiling water into the bottom of the tin, then cover the whole thing with two layers of foil, making sure it is well sealed around the edges.

Cook for 20 minutes, then reduce the temperature to 200C/400F/Gas 6.

After 1½ hours, remove the foil and greaseproof paper.

Cook for a further 40 minutes and don't open the oven door until the cook-

ing time is up.

To test whether the turkey is cooked, insert a skewer or knife blade into the point where the thigh joins the breast - the juice should run clear.

If it is pink, cook it for another 20 minutes and test again. Leave the turkey to rest in a warm place for at least 15 minutes before carving.

Strain the juice from the bottom of the tin into a large jug - the fat will rise to the top, leaving the aromatic turkey and onion beneath.

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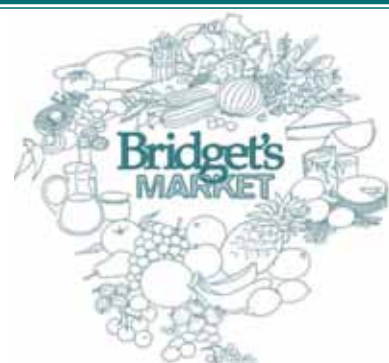
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Shared forensic services to save police £2million

POLICE forces in the South West stand to save £2million in a year by sharing forensic services.

Within five years the combined savings could be more than £6.5million.

The collaboration programme, led by Dorset Police, was given the green light at a South West regional meeting of Police and Crime Commissioners and Chief Constables.

The first phase of the scheme will involve Fingerprint Bureaux, Chemical Enhancement Laboratories and Forensic Submissions Units.

Dorset's Chief Constable Debbie Simpson said: "Today's meeting is an important development for regional coloration and will help all five forces work toward a more efficient and effective forensic serv-

ice provision.

"In the coming months we will engage with all forensic staff across the five force areas to ensure that the best possible service is provided in the South West while also identifying the required savings."

The decision to collaborate follows several months of negotiation between the forces in an effort to reduce budgets and increase efficiency for the future. It will mean forces sharing systems and services and adopting a similar process to inter force systems already in place in other parts of the UK.

Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner Martyn Underhill said: "This is another example of collaboration in the South West, achieving improved service delivery at a reduced cost."

A "BETTER Together" programme which hopes to transform health and adult social care services in Dorset has been launched.

It aims to help people stay independent for longer, receive care and support in their own homes, or closer to their homes and delay the need for long-term care.

The plans have already met with Government approval and will receive £750,000 from the new Transformation Challenge award to encourage closer working between NHS services and social care providers.

Councillor Spencer Flower, leader at Dorset County Council, said: "Local government and the NHS have worked closely in recent years and 'Better Together' will build on this.

"By joining forces we can work towards seamless, more tailored packages of health and social care. This will benefit Dorset residents and make best use of available public resources."

Dr Forbes Watson, Chair of NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning



■ REPRESENTATIVES from the sponsor group, which include the councils and NHS health bodies



■ COUNCILLOR Spencer Flower, leader at Dorset County Council, Councillor Elaine Atkinson, leader at the Borough of Poole with Councillor David D'Orton-Gibson from Bournemouth Borough Council

Group, said: "I would like to see health and social care working as one system of integrated

services responding to the needs of the local population."

Between them Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole already spend over £1 billion for health and social care each year.

Shipwreck subject of talk

THE battle to save a 17th century shipwreck will be told at the county museum this week.

Dave Parham, a Senior Lecturer in Marine Archaeology at Bournemouth University, is leading a team to save as much of the Swash Channel wreck as possible.

He will be telling the story of the wreck and the attempt to save it this Friday, December 6th at 7pm as part of the museum's archaeology lectures series.

A Bournemouth University marine archaeology team has been studying the wreck since 2006 but are now so concerned at the rate of deterioration that they have decided to raise and preserve part of the hull.

The 40 metre long 400-year-old vessel lies in approximately seven metres of water next to the Swash Channel in the approaches to Poole Harbour.

The wreck includes ornately carved timbers, the earliest still in existence in Britain, but as the sands shift and expose the timbers to the air, they are literally being eaten away by bacteria and tunnelling shipworms.

The plan is to remove some of the timbers and preserve them, whilst reburial the rest. It is not possible to cover up the entire wreck as it would create a shipping hazard in a busy channel. Once preserved, the remains will go on display in Poole Museum.

The talk is free of charge but a donation of £3 is encouraged to cover costs. Doors open at 7pm and the talk will commence at 7.30pm.

Be careful with candles

HOUSE fires which started with a candle result in around 350 casualties across Dorset each year.

The county's Fire and Rescue Service is asking people to take extra care with candles this winter – as many use them to add a warm glow to an evening in or add some festive cheer to the season's celebrations such as Diwali and Christmas.

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LOCAL photographers have helped Dorset Wildlife Trust with images for the charity's 2013 Christmas card collection, and 2014 calendar.

The cards feature a thrush feeding on berries by wildlife enthusiast, Martin Baldwin, a snowy scene of Milton Abbey and Black Hill by DWT Trustees Les Bunce and Tony Bates - and an original photograph



■ 'MILTON Abbey' Christmas card by Les Bunce

of a Kingfisher by BBC camera assistant and local photographer, Sam Stewart.

Sam has worked on many wildlife-filming projects, including BBC Springwatch and is a camera assistant for wildlife cameraman and broadcaster, Simon King, OBE.

Sam said: "I love exploring the countryside in Dorset and every now and then I find a spot I love to work on time and time again. This colourful jewel was taken just near Blandford. I had wanted to get this image for ages and spent a long time working towards it. The kingfisher, although relatively common in Dorset, can be a hard bird to spot, never mind photograph."

The photographs for the 2014 calendar were taken by long standing member and supporter of the Dorset Wildlife Trust, Colin Varndell, who has won many awards, including the Wildlife photographer of the year competition.

Colin said: "I never fail to be inspired by Dorset's wildlife and wild places. I can seldom travel out of the county, as there is so much to photograph and enjoy in Dorset. Dorset Wildlife Trust is very dear to me, and I am keen to support the Trust with my photography."

The Trust is also offering gift memberships as a Christmas present with recipients receiving a welcome pack including a 2014 calendar, the latest DWT magazine, events guide, reserve guide and car sticker.

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The winner will be selected from all correct entries by the Editor. The winner will also be given a behind-the-scenes tour of Huish Park on matchday and two tickets for their parents. There will also be 12 consolation prizes of Yeovil Town posters signed by Gary and the first team squad

Closing date: Monday, December 30th.



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Christmas in... PORTLAND

❄️ Osprey Leisure Centre

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❄️ Billiards Boutique

1. Materials

A GOOD quality snooker cue will generally be made from two basic materials, ash for the shaft section and then Ebony (or in some cases Rosewood) for the butt section. But there are other options like a maple shaft and exotic woods in the butt. Be aware that cheaper cues on the market may not have a spliced butt section at all but use overlays or decals.

2. Joint Position

There are three main types of snooker cue. 1 piece snooker cues are simply that, 1 solid piece of cue with no joint at all. The other two types are both in effect 2 piece cues as they have a joint positioned somewhere along the length. 2 piece cues are centre-jointed and have the joint across the shaft section. 3/4 cues have the joint positioned across the butt section. The three main joint positions do tend to offer a different hit or feel so try before you buy if feel is important.

3. The Tip

Most snooker cues come supplied with a brass ferrule (the metal ring at the top) and stick-on leather cue tip at 9.5mm-10mm diameter. This is a standard size opted for by most players and cue makers. Smaller and larger sizes are available and again offer different performance but in most cases would carry an additional charge. Try to steer clear of screw-in tips because they do not offer the consistency or flexibility of a stick on tip. Stick-on tips are available in a wide variety of styles,

hardness grades and price brackets which can make a big difference to your performance.

4. The Design

To many of our customers design is a very important factor to consider when buying a snooker cue. I always like to make it clear however that the design of the butt section will not affect the playing characteristics of the cue, it is simply decoration. The only other point I would make is that this is relevant to both solid wood cues and cues with a decal design. The design will affect the cost, the more intricate those inlays or exotic those woods are the more money you will pay.

5. The Splice

The splice is the way that the butt wood is fitted, or spliced, onto the shaft section. There are two distinct ways. By machine is the first and results in slightly cheaper cues, a machine spliced cue will have very sharp points at the top of the butt wood, the second way is by hand, hand spliced snooker cues are more expensive simply because of the workmanship and specialist skills required to create the cue. Hand spliced snooker cues will have a more rounded point on the four sections of the splice.

6. Protection

Snooker cues are made from a natural product, wood, so can be damaged if not protected effectively. I think it is very important to consider buying a snooker cue case with any cue at the time of purchase if you do not already own one. One reason is because you can generally get a better deal on a case when purchased at the same time as a snooker cue, there are also often available many snooker cue and case sets that also bring the price down further. Secondly, when buying over the Internet or Telephone your cue has to be delivered, now whilst every attempt is made to protect a cue in transit the job is easier if it is inside a cue case.

7. Your Playing Level

You need to consider this when buying a snooker cue as a recreational player or beginner will have different requirements to a tournament player or professional. How much use are you as a beginner going to get out of a £200 snooker cue? Whatever you buy they will be built to last if treated in the right manner so go with something that is comfortable on the pocket as well as comfortable on the table.

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Christmas in... WEYMOUTH

Christmas Lights Switch On!

Friday 6th December 2013

CHRISTMAS Lights Switch On - Weymouth Town Centre. Join in the festivities with this year's Christmas Light Switch On including the Victorian Shownight.

3pm - Show night Begins,
Christmas Market and Ice Rink opens.

5pm - Santa arrives.

6pm - Mayor arrives to Switch on the Lights.

6.30pm - Parade around to Hope Square.

6.30pm - Music including Rock Choir on stage in New Bond Street.

8pm - Prize giving and carols.



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WEYMOUTH VICTORIAN SHOWNIGHT HOW CHRISTMAS USED TO BE...

FRIDAY 6th December will see the return of one of Weymouth's most celebrated Christmas events 'Victorian Shownight', starting at 3pm and finishing at 9pm, it promises to be one of the most spectacular Shownight's Weymouth has ever enjoyed!

The town's retailers and businesses are buzzing with anticipation, and both national and independent retailers are committed to stay open, for what promises to be a great night of late night shopping, with free parking in Council run car parks from 3pm.

Investment by 'Title Sponsor' Weymouth BID, has enabled event organiser, Roger Dalton Associates, to introduce a host of exciting Christmas entertainment and the inclusion of Weymouth's 'Lighting-up' ceremony. For the first time Weymouth will host an all-inclusive Christmas event for the whole family.

The origins of Shownight date back to Victorian times, in the 1840s traders in the town held an event to 'show' their goods before Christmas – this became an annual event up to 1914 and 'Show Night' was very popular with local traders.

Many Weymouth businesses are getting into the spirit of the Victorian Shownight by dressing their windows and encouraging staff to wear Victorian costumes. There is a competition for the 'Best Dressed Window' which offers a first prize of £75 and two runners-up prizes of £35, sponsored by Weymouth & Portland Chamber of Commerce. A competition for the 'Best Dressed Couple', 'Best Dressed Adult' and 'Best Dressed Child' will also take place, with cash prizes of £75, £50 and £25,

plus other donated prizes.

Mark Blunden, President of the Weymouth & Portland Chamber of commerce said "We are delighted to support the Victorian Shownight, local businesses enjoy taking part in local events and can benefit from the extra business which comes into the town. FREE parking after 3pm in the Council Car Parks is also a big incentive which we hope people will take full advantage of. We would like to thank the local authority for arranging this."

Many of the costumes are traditionally hand-made but some local theatre groups have offered their support in the hire of items and outfits to local businesses.

Weymouth BID is the 'Title Sponsor' of Victorian Shownight and this Christmas event forms part of a business plan to promote business in Weymouth by attracting more visitors out of season. A strong festive atmosphere will be created in New Bond Street, with Christmas Trees, Ice Rink, Snow Machine, Santa's Grotto, Live Reindeer, along with plenty of festive food and drink stands including gluhwein, Bratwurst sausages, hog roast, and roasted chestnuts. Entertainment, in-store demonstrations and good old fashioned 'Hospitality' will flow through St Mary Street, St Thomas Street, St Alban Street and a parade across to Hope Square.

Free Family Fun starts at 3pm when the stalls open, entertainment starting at 3.45pm and Santa arriving at 5pm. The Christmas lights will be switched on by the Mayor and stars of the Weymouth Pantomime, Cinderella at 6pm.

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Christmas in... WEYMOUTH

❄️ Outdoor Store

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Situated directly opposite Weymouth Train Station, the shop is right in the heart of Weymouth. It's close to the beach and within a short distance of some of the best walking and outdoor activities on offer in the UK, such as the Dorset Jurassic Coast.

They supply some of the best outdoor clothing at outstanding prices, and work hard with suppliers including Regatta, Highlander, Viper Kit and Web-text.

With the weather set to turn extremely cold by the end of the week, The Outdoor Store is the place to go to get kitted out. There is currently a sale on selected Regatta clothing including fleeces, which are just £14.99 each, or 2 for £25. The offer is on all sizes



and a mixture of different colours. Also, you will find 20% off Regatta 3 in 1 Jackets; perfect to keep you warm with the winter cold snap on its way!

If you're thinking

ahead to New Year, The Outdoor Store is also the ideal place for your fancy dress. If you are going for a military or police theme, you will find everything you need at very reasonable prices.

The store is open Monday to Saturday 9am – 5pm, and 10am – 4pm on Sundays. They are open right up until Christmas Eve, and will be open between Christmas and New Year.

❄️ Chesil Beach Motors

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Earl Jackson comes to
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Saturday 7th December
Nag's Head, LYME REGIS
The Perfect Strangers

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
The Intruders 9.30pm

Dorchester Arts Centre, DORCHESTER
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Doors 7.30pm. £13 adv, £14 door.
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Sunday 8th December
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Friday 13th December
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Saturday 14th December
Nag's Head, LYME REGIS
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Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
One Night Stand 9pm

Bridport Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
Christmas Party with The Producers 8pm. £10/£9.

Sunday 15th December
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
Nina Garcia 4-6pm

Dorchester Arts Centre, DORCHESTER
Miranda Sykes & Rex Preston
Doors 7.30pm. £12/£10

Wednesday 18th December
Bridport Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
Medieval Christmas 11am
£10/£8

SMALL TOWN THINKING IS A SWEET RELEASE

Adam Sweet to launch debut album with Seaton gig

UP-AND-COMING rock and blues singer-songwriter Adam Sweet is launching his debut album in Seaton this month.

Small Town Thinking will be made available for general release for the first time during a special show at The Gateway, in Fore Street. Seaton, on Friday, December 20th.

The release of *Small Town Thinking* is the culmination of a year-long project, and the launch will be a chance to be amongst the first to hear the much-anticipated album.

Adam Sweet said: "I'm very proud of what we have achieved with this first album. I feel privileged to have worked with some great people on it, and I can't wait to get it out there now."

"Seaton Gateway is a fantastic venue that has really supported me in recent years, in a town I have been regularly performing in since I was 15 years old, so I'm really excited to be launching the album here."

For over a decade Adam Sweet, who grew up in Lyme Regis and attended Colyton Grammar School, has been performing as a guitarist across the South West, and is already making his mark as a solo artist.

He has played several high-profile festivals, completed a successful tour of Scotland, and last year he was nominated for the 'Best Blues Act' prize at the South West Music Awards.

With *Small Town Thinking*, Sweet co-wrote the material

with award-winning singer-songwriter Steve Black. It was recorded with producer Alan West, at NEO Music in Devon, and Thomm Jutz at his Nashville studio.

Kirstin Reynolds, co-founder of NEO Music, said: "We are delighted with the response the album is receiving from industry insiders so far. Adam shows real maturity and integrity as a performer and recording artist, and with plans in the pipeline for a tour next year, he is well on track to reach a whole new level in his career."

Those who purchase the album at the launch show will also receive an exclusive free live download with each copy.

Doors open at 7.30pm at The Gateway. Tickets for the show are £5 and must be reserved in advance. To reserve a ticket email info@neo-music.net or call 07779 786225.

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Based in Nottingham, Earl Jackson is a well known figure on the British rock 'n' roll circuit and has been in great demand for many years. He has made appearances on BBC radio and TV including the prestigious Jonathon Ross

show, a widely acclaimed success. Earl is currently causing a sensation appearing as Chuck Berry in the popular theatre show Rockin' On Heavens Door, with whom Earl will be touring for two months across Holland in spring 2014. Born

of Jamaican parents in Lambeth in 1964, Earl was heavily influenced by Gospel music. Much of his charisma and on-stage confidence comes from performing before ten thousand people or more at various gospel events. Earl's voice coupled with his outstanding guitar playing bring to life pounding rhythms of rock 'n' roll. "Entertainment with a capital 'e'" The Mad Rat Magazine.

Bridport based Stompin' Dave Allen is now performing regularly with Earl on piano and guitar. Dave has been described as "One of the world's greatest performers" by Maverick Magazine. Since teaming up with Earl the two are proving to be a magic combination and have given barnstorming performances at rock 'n' roll clubs, and festivals across England and on the continent.

Dave's band includes Graham V. Bundy on drums. Graham was a professional drummer in the USA for 20 years. Graham worked regularly with rockabilly luminaries such as Rockabilly Hall Of Fame members Dale Hawkins author of swamp-rock classic Susie Q., and Billy Lee Riley. Graham also performed with Chuck Berry, recorded at the legendary Sun Studios in Memphis and performed at The Grand Ole Opry. Also appearing is Dave Saunders on bass from award winning blues band The Producers.

Bring your dancing shoes, and get your tickets now to avoid disappointment. This is sure to be a popular event the Saturday before Christmas. For advance tickets £10 (on the door £12) please visit www.marinetheatre.com or call Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre 01297 442138. The doors open at 7.45pm the show starts at 8.30pm.



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The trilogy includes *The World's End*, *Shaun of the Dead* and *Hot Fuzz*. It will be screened back-to-back with breaks in between for drinks and snacks. Watching all three films on the big screen in one day is must-do experience for film-buffs and all fans of the sci-fi comedy.



Shaun of the Dead 3.30pm features a man who decides to turn his moribund life around by winning back his ex-girlfriend, reconciling his relationship with his mother, and dealing with an entire community that has returned from the dead to eat the living.

Hot Fuzz, 5pm tells the story of jealous colleagues conspire to get a top London cop transferred to a small town and paired with a witness new partner. On the beat, the pair stumble upon a series of suspicious accidents and events.

The World's End, 8pm Five friends who reunite in an attempt to top their epic pub crawl from 20 years earlier is not just a fine pub and an apocalyptic disaster, it's also the final flourish! The latest and last instalment sees familiar faces square up to an alien invasion.

Denise Fenton, General Manager said: "There's a great atmosphere when you see a brilliantly funny, iconic film on the big screen and we'll have three of them. Bring your slippers, onsies or zombie costumes and get comfortable. We're preparing food and drinks so you won't even to leave the building!"

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Le Rooster's success in Brittany

BRIDPORT'S highly acclaimed folk Band 'Le Rooster' became a minor international success after they took to the road last month to tour Brittany with their inimitable style of musical and comedic entertainment.

Led by Chris Deacon, the band returned to Bridport last week after an enjoyable and inspirational set of high profile gigs in the Finistere and Morbihan areas of Brittany in France.

The line up of Chris, Maurice Blogg, Alan Twelfthree and Rob Malpas boasted a balanced cross section of

acoustic and electric instruments and vocal harmonies which prompted many resident musicians that attended to comment favourably on the content and delivery.

The band, who often play for local charitable causes, are currently considering material for their first album which will probably on a maritime theme and will in some measure benefit the RNLI.

Chris commented: "We had an amazing response at every gig with people travelling from across Brittany

to hear us!

"We are so grateful also to the number of people who dedicatedly followed us after the first night to the remaining venues just to lend us support."

On the strength of their success they have been pressed for further dates in the year. Indeed one proprietor has already been in discussion with Le Rooster to headline a forthcoming Folk Festival in 2014 to possibly include a local prominent team of Morris Team.

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Honiton and Lyme Regis Youth Orchestras come together for Christmas performances

THE Honiton Youth Orchestra and The Lyme Regis Youth Orchestra are combining to give a Christmas concert on Thursday, December 12th at 6pm in St Paul's Church, Honiton. Entry is free, though donations are very welcome.

This year's concert promises to be a very special occasion because the Honiton Youth Orchestra will be joined for the first time by the newly formed Lyme Regis Youth Orchestra. The Lyme Regis Youth Orchestra meets during term time on Fridays at 4-5pm at St. Michael's Primary School. The members are primary and secondary school children from around Lyme Regis and the surrounding areas of Dorset and Devon.

For this year's concert, there will also be contributions from the Honiton Community College Music department, and the choir from Littleton Primary Academy. The Orchestra's are also planning on helping St. Paul's for their annual Christingle service with some carols. The St. Paul's Christingle will take place this year on the December 8th in the afternoon.

MORE BLOWERS AND SCRAPERS ARE NEEDED FOR BOTH ORCHESTRAS!

The Honiton Youth Orchestra has been going for over 25 years now, moving home from its origins at Ottery St Mary to its present home at St

Paul's Church.

This very friendly and informal orchestra, run by parents, meets every Thursday during term time at St Paul's church, from 4.30 to 5.30pm.

The members are also primary and secondary school children and from around Honiton and the surrounding area.

Dan Morgan is the Music Director for both Orchestras who trained in Vienna and has had many years of international professional music experience as a conductor, performer and teacher.

The orchestras currently need more members in all sections, and a trial of 2-3 weeks is offered.

A night full of Christmas cheer in Budleigh Salterton

THE Albion Christmas Band will perform a rollicking evening of Christmas Cheer, Tunes, Readings and Seasonal Merriment at Budleigh Salterton's Public Hall later this month.

A full bar and home-cooked, pre-show Christmas meal (£8 pre-booked/ £10 on the night) are available on the night, courtesy of star in-house chef Tim Golder (www.facebook.com/cheftimgolder).

The Albion Christmas Band performance takes place on Sunday, December 15th. Doors/bar open 6.30pm, and music and mirthful mayhem from 8pm til late!

Tickets cost £21 (standing), £23.50 (seated), or £25 on the door, and are available from ticket cardline on 07891 663044/01395 443419, or on-line at www.wegotickets.com/event/249314

2014 will see a host of fantastic acts coming to the Public Hall as part of the 'Budleigh Assorted Tunes' series. Acts include: Strawbs, Laura Cantrell, Gerry & the Pacemakers, Dervish, Kiki Dee, Police Dog Hogan, Bev-



SIMON Nicol and Kellie White of the Albion Christmas Band
Photos by Chris Gill

erley Craven, Hot Club of Cowtown, and much, much more. For more details see the advert below, and visit the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/gypsymusicpromotions



The Albion Christmas Band
Simon Care, Simon Nicol, Kellie White & Ashley Hutchings

A rollicking evening of Christmas Cheer, Songs, Tunes, Readings and Seasonal Merriment!

Public Hall, Budleigh Salterton
Sun 15th December 2013

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Music 8.00 til late

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'Live' music for enthusiasts

'Hi Steve. Brilliant night again on Sunday - very well organised. Food brilliant once again and the Chocolate Brownies were to die for! Wish I had purchased more than I did to take home!'
Cynthia B from Seaton,
after Martin Barre Band gig on 10th November

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR NEW ACCORDION

THE villagers of Burton Bradstock are holding a Benefit Concert on Saturday, December 7th, to help a young musician buy a new accordion.

Serbian born Miloš Milivojevic (28) trained at the Royal Academy of Music in London in Classical Accordion and has lived in Britain now for over 10 years and is enormously popular with the Burton Bradstock Festival audience who flock to his concerts each August. At this year's Festival they became aware of the problems he is facing due to Home Office changes of rules. He applied under the Indefinite Leave to Remain category on 25th October 2012 (after 10 years residency and completing the Life in UK Test) but he still has no visa, over a year after applying. This means he cannot go abroad.

As a result he has already had to cancel concerts in Dublin, Kazakhstan, Poland, and Iceland. He

has also had to postpone a debut solo CD for Nimbus Records as his accordion needs specialist repair in Bulgaria.

This situation has also impacted on his personal life. His grandfather died in February 2013 and his mother broke her shoulder shortly afterwards but Miloš was unable to return to Serbia to comfort her or attend his Grandfather's funeral.

The Festival Committee hope that the Benefit Concert will raise money towards helping Miloš buy a new accordion (they cost about £12,000 to £14,000) to make up for the money he has lost after having to cancel so many concerts. The Committee have also written to Miloš's own MP, Angie Bray and to local constituency MP, Oliver Letwin, both of whom have been extremely helpful.

Miloš's friends are coming to support him so classical guitarist

Craig Ogden, Violinist David Jurtiz, Cellist Adrian Bradbury and the Kosmos trio, including Milos himself, will all be playing and giving their musical services for free.

Tickets for the Concert, in the Village Hall at Burton Bradstock at 7 pm, are £20 from the village Post Office or 01308 897203.



Miloš Milivojevic

Strange and Sinister Tales for Friday 13th...

MASTER storyteller Chris Salisbury, also known as 'Spindle Wayfarer', will weave an enchanting spell to delight in the darkness of December and immerse you in some of the mysterious magic of the otherworld, at Bridport Arts Centre's Story Café.

Expect to be unsettled, tickled and teased by a fabulously far-fetched hoard of stories and songs emerging from the shadows of the past. A spine-tingling, toe-curling yet heart-warming evening.

Chris has evolved a captivating storytelling persona around hundreds of campfires. He has ap-

peared in the most unlikely venues, spinning yarns over 20 years. With a background in theatre, training in therapy and a career in outdoor education, Chris is also director of WildWise and founder and Artistic Director of the Westcountry Storytelling Festival.

Doors open at 7pm on Friday, December 13th, and the storytelling begins at 7.30pm. The evening is suitable for adults and older children. Tickets are £7 / £6 members / £5 concessions available from Bridport Arts Centre box office 01308 424204 and via the website www.bridport-arts.com

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UNTIL TUESDAY DEC 10TH

LYME REGIS: Exhibition: 'Inspirations from the Land and Sea' in the Courtyard and Upstairs Gallery, Town Mill. Daily 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission. An exhibition of paintings and etchings from artists Favell Bevan-Arti, Roger St Barbe and Catherine Osbond, depicting landscapes, seascapes, flora and fauna inspired by the West Country. For more details visit www.townmillartsguild.com

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 4TH

BRIDPORT: Bridport Christmas Cheer. From 3.3-8pm. An evening of festivities. Late night shopping, roasted chestnuts, music, rides, food, craft & charity stalls, farmers market, plus Father Christmas & Santa's grotto. Craft Fairs in the Art Centre, Bridport Town Hall, the Ropemakers, the WI Hall and the Electric Palace. To book a stall call Bridport Town Council on 01308 456722. Event info contact: Bridport TIC on 01308 424901 www.visit-dorset.com

SEATON: Jurassic Folk Guest Night - Ruth Notman. At the Grove, from 7.45pm. For more details call 01297 20064 or visit www.eastdevonfolk.org

WEDS DECEMBER 4TH - SUNDAY JANUARY 26TH

LYME REGIS: ArtsFest exhibition: 'Blurring the Boundaries', part of the re:collection series at Lyme Regis Museum. Carolyn King will be sharing her journey with 'The Fish Lizard of Lyme' across the borders between fine art and illustration in the exhibition. Open 11am-4pm, Wednesdays to Sunday.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 5TH

BRIDPORT: Bridport Electronic Organ and Keyboard Club. Performance from Daniel Watt. At the United Church Hall, East Street. Concert starts at 7.30pm. For more details call 01460 73500

LYME REGIS: Christmas Bingo at Woodmead Halls, 8pm.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 6TH

LYME REGIS: Woodroffe School PTA presents Taste of Christmas from 6-8.30pm at the Woodroffe School. Makers/demonstrators who would like a table email pta@woodroffe.dorset.sch.uk or call 07798 502700. Looking for donation for the raffle, and for gift, chocolate and bottle donations. Donations can be taken to main reception area at school. Entry £2 adults, children and students free.

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club meeting. Alan Humphries - a Photographic Journey. 7.30pm at Woodmead Halls.

FRIDAY DEC 6TH - SUNDAY DEC 8TH

UPLYME: Exhibition: 'The Great and The Small' at The Jam Factory (DT7 3XQ). 10.5pm Friday and Saturday, 11-2pm Sunday. For more details call 07960 019180.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 7TH

HAWKCHURCH: Christmas Fayre at the village hall organised by Fete Committee, from 2pm. Variety of gift stalls, including cards, hand-crafted gifts, jewellery, cakes, preserved and much more. Games of chance and a Christmas raffle. Teas served. Santa dropping by to meet children. Entry 50p per adult, children free.

BRIDPORT: Bridport Ceilidhs present "no Strings Attached" with caller Dick Williams at St Mary's Church House Hall, South Street at 7.30 (doors open 7.15) - 11.00pm. Come and dance to this Bournemouth-based band, bring food to share, a bottle, a friend (bring two!) and have a party! Tickets £8.50 on the door, £7.50 in advance from Bridport Music Shop (South Street), Jaxsons Deli (West Street), or call Monty on 01308 423442.

BRIDPORT: Bridport Barnardo's Helpers' Group annual Mincepies and Coffee Morning in the Town Hall, from 10am. Raffle, and Christmas Cards for sale. Admission £1.50. Live music by the Friends of West Dorset Music from 10.15am.

BROADWINDSOR: Three Churches Coffee Morning at the Comrades Hall, Broadwindsor in aid of the churches of Blackdown, Broadwindsor and Burstock from 10.30am - 12.30pm. Stalls selling festive gifts, cakes, bric-a-brac, books and so much more. Come along and bring some friends, exchange your Christmas Cards, and enjoy the festivities! Admission £1.00 to include coffee and biscuits. For more details telephone 01308 868293 or 01460 30661/30517

BRIDPORT: Christmas Fair at Chancery House Day Centre, Chancery Lane from 9am-12noon.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 8TH

PUNCKNOWLE: Christmas Fayre with Santa's Grotto and stalls at Puncknowle & Swyre Village Hall from 3pm.

LYME REGIS: Stray Dog Productions presents 'The Great and The Small in further detail' at the Marine Theatre from 3-6pm. Donation of £3-£5 would be welcomed towards a generator for a Theatre Village in Kathmandu.

MONDAY DECEMBER 9TH

BRIDPORT: Biodanza has become popular around the world and includes sublime music, guided movement, dance... and play. No partner needed. No steps to learn. 7.15 for 7.30pm. Free for Biodanza newbies! Cost: £7 (con avail). At British Legion Hall, Victoria Grove, Bridport. For more details call 07986 458 520 or visit www.biodanza-bridport.co.uk

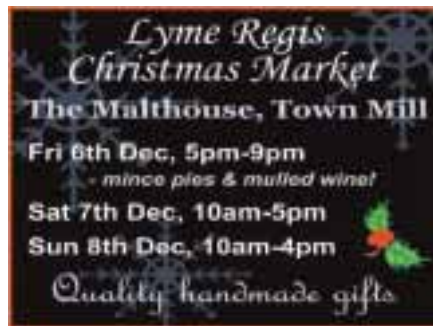
WEYMOUTH: Weymouth Classical Recorded Music Society - Ladies Night - A Feast of Music and culinary delights at the Acorns, Grosvenor Road, Weymouth from 7.30pm. Further details: Tel 779787

BRIDPORT: West Dorset Flower Club demonstration

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Thu: 15.45, 20.25
Carrie 15
Daily: 21.00
plus Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.00, 21.00
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Sat, Sun: 18.05, Tue: 12.00
The Butler 12A
Fri, Mon-Wed: 13.50, 19.30
Sat, Sun: 19.30, Thu: 13.50
Blue Is The Warmest Colour 18
Fri-Wed: 15.25, 19.50, Thu: 12.00
Homefront 15
Fri, Mon-Wed: 12.50, 18.40, 21.05
Sat, Sun: 18.40, 21.05
Thu: 12.50, 21.05
Oldboy 15
Daily: 17.45, 20.45,
plus Fri, Mon-Thu: 12.40
Rise Of The Guardians PG
Sat & Sun: 10.15, 11.15am

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Disney animation with voices from Kristen Bell, Josh Gad and Idina Menzel.



OLDBOY 15

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BLACK NATIVITY PG

A STREET-WISE teen from Baltimore who has been raised by a single mother travels to New York City to spend the Christmas holiday with his estranged relatives, where he embarks on a surprising and inspirational journey.

Stars Forest Whitaker, Angela Bassett and Jennifer Hudson.

HOMEFRONT 15

A FORMER DEA agent moves his family to a quiet town, where he soon tangles with a local meth druglord.

Stars Jason Statham, James Franco and Winona Ryder.

View 2 Diary Dates

entitled 'White Christmas' by National Demonstrator David Martin at the WI Hall, at 2.30pm. Entry £4.

TUESDAY DECEMBER 10TH

SOUTH PERROTT: Christmas Entertainment at St Mary's Church from 7.30pm. Join The Crooners singing Carols and Songs, also Readings. Coffee and mince pies available. Entry is free, there will be a retiring collection for Church Funds.

LYME REGIS: Local artist David West who led the campaign to save Lyme Regis Town Mill in the 1990s will talk about his vision for the Mill and the work that brought it to fruition. The event will start at 2.30pm at Woodmead Hall. The event is organised by The Lyme Regis Society jointly with Lyme Regis Museum. The entrance charge will be £1.50 which includes refreshments.

BRIDPORT: Bridport History Society will learn about 'Romans around Bridport and their end of year customs' from Dorset gladiator John Smith in the United Church Main Hall, East Street, at 2.30pm. Visitors' entrance: £2.50, to be followed by mulled wine and mince pies!

WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: St.Catherine's Catholic Primary School Choir will join with The New Elizabethan Singers to perform a Christmas Concert in St John's Church, West Bay, starting at 7.30 pm. There will be carols sung by the choirs, some well-known, others quite new, together with some seasonal readings. In addition, there will be favourite carols for the audience to join in and sing. All are welcome and admission is free but there will be an optional retiring collection. For any information, please phone 07528 105977

BEAMINSTER: Beaminster & District Camera Club Members Evening. Members print review and Christmas social. At the Beaminster Sports Pavilion from 7.30pm.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 12TH

LYME REGIS: Christmas Bingo at Woodmead Halls, 8pm.

CHIDEOCK: Cantamus Choir at Chideock Martyrs Church from 7pm. Tickets £8 on the door, or in advance by calling 01308 488348. For more details visit www.cantamus-dorset.org

CHIDEOCK: Christmas Whist at the village hall from 7.30pm. £3 admission.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 13TH

LYME REGIS: St Michael's School Christmas Fayre 6-8pm at St Michael's School Kingsway. 50p admission, all proceeds towards fundraising for new playground equipment. We look forward to seeing you - we have Father Christmas, trade tables, refreshments and great raffle prizes.

LYME REGIS: Christmas Market at the Courtyard and Upstairs, The Town Mill, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU. Daily 10.30-4.30pm. Free admission.

WEYMOUTH: Weymouth & Portland U3A Christmas Meeting. Open meeting with presentations by some of the Interest Groups. Punch and Christmas Cake will be served. 10am at St Aldhelm's Church Centre, Spa Road.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 13TH - SUNDAY JANUARY 5TH

LYME REGIS: Town Mill Arts Guild Christmas Fair open 10am - 5pm. Come and choose your affordable gifts at the Town Mill, Lyme Regis, from a wide variety of original paintings, photography, prints, cards, glass, ceramics, sculpture, textiles and more. Late night opening on December 13th until 8pm and drinks and nibbles will be served. Closed Christmas Day!

SATURDAY DECEMBER 14TH

UPLYME: Ballroom, Latin and some Sequence Dancing from 8pm-10.30pm. At Uplyme Village Hall. £4.50 in aid of Hall funds. For more details call 01297 442439.

LODERS: Cantamus Choir at Lodars Parish Church from 7pm. Tickets £8 on the door. For more details visit www.cantamus-dorset.org

BRIDPORT: Christmas Coffee Morning at Bridport Outdoor Bowls Club, Priory Lane, from 10am-12.30pm.

WHITCHURCH CANONICORUM: Christmas Dinner with turkey or beef carvery plus all the trimmings, sweets, coffee etc at Whitchurch Canonicorum Village Hall. 7pm for 7.30pm start. Music to Two's Company, sit and listen or join in dancing. Tickets £12.50, children under 10 £8.00. Raffle, donation in aid of Cancer Research UK. Tickets from Sue 01297 489375 or Tina 01297 489523

SUNDAY DECEMBER 15TH

LITTON CHENEY: Bride Valley Fledglings Pre-School Fundraiser Christmas Bazaar 2-4pm at LATCH, village hall. Chocolate tombola, KIDS Craft and KIDS 'buy-a-gift' room, Face Painting, Raffle Prizes, Christmas Games, Mulled Wine, Mince Pies, Cakes and Refreshments and a special Thorne's School Glee Club performance, plus much more.

MONDAY DECEMBER 16TH

OSMINGTON: Osmington Recorded Music Society - Jim Davis recalls the master of light music in "The Magic of Mantovani" - at Osmington Village Hall, Shortlake Lane, from 2.15pm. Plenty of car parking available. Further details from 01305 262121, or email: heather.foster1@btinternet.com

TUESDAY DECEMBER 17TH

CHIDEOCK: Mince Pies and Christmas Flowers at St Giles Church from 10.30am-12noon. £2 for refreshments.

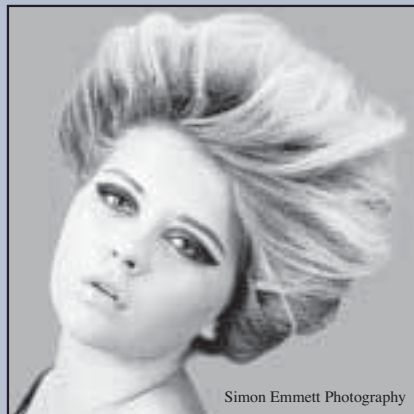
Grand opening for Shutterbug Studio

LOCAL Photographer Simon Emmett will be opening Shutterbug Studio, a joint project with fellow artists Adam Tait (Lil Fekas) and Jan Larcombe (Somerset Paper Flowers) this weekend.

Simon's work at the Studio will be include solo and family portraits, pets, model, and vintage shoots.

The Shutterbug Studio grand opening will take place this Sunday, December 8th at 10am, and will be open until 7pm.

You can find Shutterbug Studio at Unit 2 Russell House, Lym Close, Lym Regis DT7 3DE,



All are welcome to go along and see the amazing work by Simon, Jan and Adam. Simon will also be doing a special opening photo shoot deal of two photos for £10 as a welcome, plus a December Christmas special.

For more details email simon-emmett@hotmail.com, call 07850 332577 or visit the website www.simonemmettphotography.com

Opera and ballet at The Gateway

Gift vouchers available now as the perfect Christmas gift

THE Gateway in Seaton will screen two fantastic shows this month; The Metropolitan Opera's Falstaff, and the Bolshoi Ballet's Sleeping Beauty.

An undisputed master of *Falstaff*, Music Director James Levine conducts Verdi's opera for the first time at the Met since 2005. Robert Carsen's production – the first new Met *Falstaff* since 1964 – is set in the English countryside in the mid-20th century. Ambrogio Maestri (last season's *Dulcamara* in the Opening Night production of *L'Elisir d'Amore*) sings the title role of the brilliant and blustery Sir John Falstaff, opposite a marvellous ensemble that includes Angela Meade, Stephanie Blythe, Lisette Oropesa and Franco Vassallo. *Falstaff* is a co-production of the Metropolitan Opera; the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden; Teatro alla Scala, Milan; the Canadian Opera Company, Toronto; and De Nederlandse Opera, Amsterdam

Featuring music by Tchaikovsky, and choreography from Yuri Grigorovich, with Svetlana Zakharova (Princess Aurora), David Hallberg (Prince Desiré), Bolshoi's *Sleeping Beauty* will be another unmissable performance.

Cursed at birth by the evil fairy Carabosse, Princess Aurora descends into a deep slumber on the day of her 16th birthday. Only the kiss of a prince will awaken her. Based on Charles Perrault's classic fairy tale, *Sleeping Beauty* has been hugely successful since its premiere in 1890. Marius Petipa's masterpiece is one of the most popular and accomplished choreographic works in the classical repertoire. The new version by Yuri Grigorovich will captivate fairytale lovers and the whole family during the Christmas season.

Falstaff will be screened on Tuesday, December 17th, with doors opening at 6pm for a 7pm start; and *Sleeping Beauty* will screen on Sunday, December 22nd, with doors open 3pm for 4pm start. Tickets for each show cost £15 in advance or £17.50 on the door.

The Gateway are also offering the perfect stocking

filler this Christmas, in the form of gift vouchers, available from the box office for £5, £10 and £20

To book tickets or buy vouchers visit the box office at Seaton Town Hall, call 01297 625699 or visit the website at www.seatongateway.co.uk



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Sunday 22nd December,
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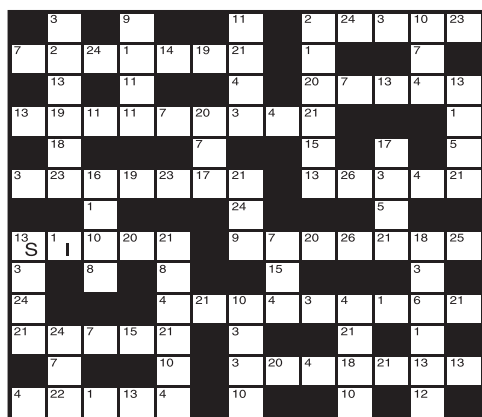
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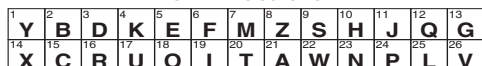
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Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:



Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

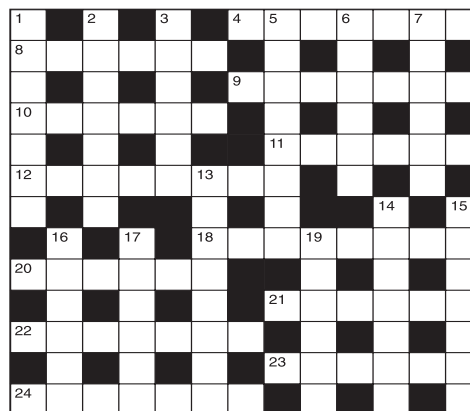
Cryptic Clues:

Across

4. In a bad temper the day none came round (7)
8. Writer with a point (6)
9. Marked dates in wrongly (7)
10. One by one on the football field (6)
11. You need inspiration to draw one (6)
12. The staidest form of dislike (8)
18. Rambling rose that gives varied resistance (8)
20. Young female accompanist (6)
21. Depression that shows in your face (6)
22. A breach of security (7)
23. Packed as a precaution (2,4)
24. Haircut that's in order (7)

Down

1. Lays out feasts (7)
2. Poetically upside-down (7)
3. Entertainment that's a nice change to mother (6)
5. A bent one needs re-shaping, don't forget! (4,4)
6. Thinks of love and languishes (6)
7. Puts up a secret entanglement (6)
13. Not the more usual foreigner (8)
14. Temporary false tooth (4-3)
15. Guided a horse holding half the rein (7)
16. Statesmen may wear it with a black tie (6)
17. These creepers could be poisonous (6)
19. Possibly tore in from the East (6)



Quick Clues:

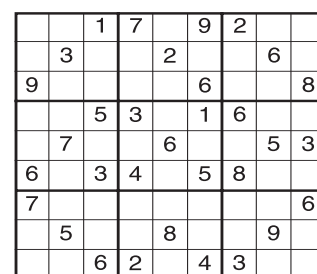
Across

4. Narration (7)
8. Aviator (6)
9. Blow up (7)
10. Shrewd (6)
11. Look upon (6)
12. Surround (8)
18. Definite (8)
20. Obvious (6)
21. Nuptial (6)
22. Clique (7)
23. Gusto (6)
24. Keep under (7)

Down

1. Discussion (7)
2. Shield (7)
3. Subject (6)
5. Meeting (8)
6. Constrain (6)
7. Disposition (6)
13. Hypercritical (8)
14. Scorn (7)
15. Rich (7)
16. Control (6)
17. Superior (6)
19. Country of the Middle East (6)

Sudoku



Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

9	6	3	4	1	5	8	2	7
7	5	2	8	3	6	4	9	1
8	4	1	9	2	7	6	5	3
1	9	6	7	5	8	3	4	2
4	7	8	2	6	3	5	1	9
3	2	5	1	9	4	7	6	8
5	3	9	6	8	1	2	7	4
2	8	4	5	7	9	1	3	6
6	1	7	3	4	2	9	8	5

LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Disposition; 9 Oil; 10 Narration; 11 Repair; 13 Bengali; 14 Danish; 16 Oracle; 18 Sea-kale; 19 Payee; 20 Important; 21 Lea; 22 Head-dresses. Down: 2 Ill; 3 Panel; 4 Scribe; 5 Trainer; 6 Oligarchy; 7 Comradeship; 8 Anti-federal; 12 Pineapple; 15 Starred; 17 Repair; 19 Pates; 21 Lie. QUICK - Across: 1 Pathfinders; 9 Pet; 10 Reputable; 11 Nasty; 13 Resolve; 14 Overdo; 16 Aspire; 18 Artist; 19 Dined; 20 Entertain; 21 Con; 22 Free and easy. Down: 2 Apt; 3 Hardy; 4 Impart; 5 Detests; 6 Rebellion; 7 Opinionated; 8 Never-ending; 12 Spectator; 15 Deserve; 17 Retain; 19 Dunce; 21 Cos.

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Not just for Christmas

JUDY Fellingham of Fortnam Smith & Banwell takes a timely look at a highly popular seasonal pastime - looking for a new home.

December is a month of two moods for those wanting to move home. For the first few weeks seasonal preparations can take over and, for a little while at least, moving may take a back seat. But when all the hoo-ha is over, family and friends have departed and fallen pine needles hoovered up

from the carpet, thoughts may turn again to the benefits of a home that better suits one's changing needs and lifestyle for the coming year.

So the end of December can be about getting online and window-shopping for a new home. It is also a good time to shop for an estate agent. Now, this is the important bit. Get it right and the sale of your property will certainly run a great deal more successfully than if you get it wrong.

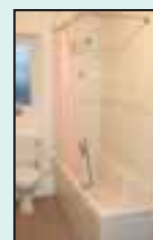
A good estate agent may sound like an oxymoron to some but those who have benefited from employing a good one in the past will know that a tense and critical time can be made so much easier through an agent's expert advice - especially if a good price has been secured through his or her skilled and experienced negotiation.

To help find the right estate agent, ask around. Get feedback from friends and neighbours in your area. Take a note of For Sale boards - or, more especially, Sold Boards. Look for experience, capability, a bit of humour - without flippancy - some youthful enthusiasm backed up

with mature direction and lots of wisdom and kindness. These are all attributes of a good estate agent and can be found if you take a little time and trouble to look for them. It's best to avoid the patronising, the ignorant, the arrogant and the pushy. It will be worth it.

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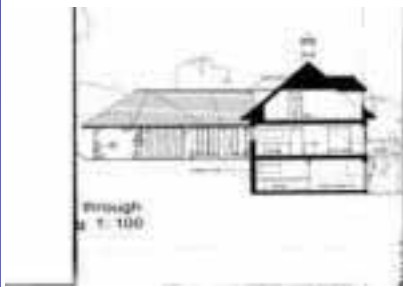
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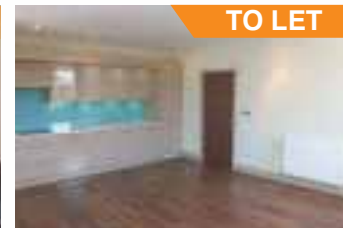
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Audi confirms all-new Q1 SUV to be produced from 2016

- Audi CEO Rupert Stadler: "The Q1 is a key component of our growth strategy."
- Chairman of the General Works Council, Peter Mosch, welcomes the decision

THE Board of Management and the Works Council of AUDI AG have confirmed that a new SUV model called the Q1 will be produced at its plant in Ingolstadt, Germany from 2016.

"The Audi Q1 is part of our broad-based SUV strategy. It is designed on the basis of the modular transverse engine concept and will round off our Q series at the bottom end," stated Rupert Stadler, Chairman of the Board of Management of AUDI AG.

As an attractive entry into the Q family, the new model will make a significant contribution to the company's ongoing growth and will strengthen its international competitiveness. Audi is continuing its model offensive with the Q1; by 2020, the brand will expand its product range from the current 49 models to more than 60, and will reach total unit sales of more than two million cars each year.

The decision to produce the new model will help to secure utilisation of capacity at the main plant in Ingolstadt over the long term. At this site, Audi produces models in the A and B segments, namely the A3 and A3 Sport-

back and the A4/A5 family.

Peter Mosch, Chairman of the General Works Council, welcomes the decision: "This is a clear commitment to Ingolstadt as a production site. We will continue to make every effort to develop the plant even further as the leading technological site of the Audi Group."

The Q family currently comprises the Audi Q3, RS Q3, Q5, SQ5 and Q7. The Q5 is the global market leader in its direct competitive

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The proportion of the company's total production volume accounted for by SUVs will be about 28 per cent this year, and is planned to rise to more than 35 per cent by 2020. Overall, Audi has produced and delivered more than 1.5 million Q family models since the market launch of the first SUV in 2006.



▲ Artist's impression - key design elements of the forthcoming Audi Q1 SUV

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Recent statistics from the Department for Transport show that with reaction times of mobile phone users up to 50% slower, drivers are four times more likely to crash if they use a mobile phone at the wheel. Furthermore, according to research from ROSPA, drivers who use a mobile phone, either hands-free or hand-held:

- Fail to see road signs
- Feel more stressed or frustrated
- Are much less aware of what's happening on the road
- Fail to maintain proper lane position and steady speed
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- More likely to enter unsafe gaps in traffic

With this in mind, GEM has produced a video to educate drivers on the possible risks, fines and penalties associated with using a mobile phone while driving: motoringassist.com/kill-the-conversation. Of course, mobile phones are an indispensable part of most people's lives and are vital for drivers in a breakdown situation where they may need to call on a breakdown service, like GEM Motoring Assist, but GEM's advice to motorists is simply: switch it off, store it out of reach and focus on the journey.

This year, in recognition of the dangers mobile phone use can cause whilst driving, the penalty for being caught using one has increased to a £100 fine, paired with three penalty points. If the case does go to court, the fine could increase to a maximum of £2500 for drivers. In addition, if mobile phone use was found to be an aggravating factor in a road crash, drivers could face the more serious charge of careless or even dangerous driving.

David Williams MBE, CEO of GEM Motoring Assist, comments: "With so many accidents caused by careless drivers using their phone at the wheel, it's time for this legislation to be taken seriously. The volunteers in our 'Kill the conversation' road safety video were all surprised to discover just how dangerous it can be to call or text while driving, which is why we are advising all motorists to turn their phone off when at the wheel to avoid any distraction. Surely no call is as important as the safety of yourself and others while on the road."

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The new venture has been set up in conjunction with existing business, LeaseCarsDirect.co.uk. Its aim is to help car buyers find the right car and lease deal as conveniently and quickly as possible while cutting out the 'middle-man' brokers to provide a more direct solution than traditional models.

Hundreds of UK dealers are involved, each managing small regions resulting in a very localised service for consumers with the ability to compare deals nationwide.

The website has been designed with efficiency, functionality and ease of use in mind, resulting in an uncluttered and intuitive online experience for customers that benefits from the retail expertise of the LeaseCarsDirect.co.uk team, as well as the trust and authority that comes from the home of car buying, What Car?.

Chris Lowe, Publisher of What Car?, said: "What Car? has always been the first step in researching which car to buy for UK buyers. Today, we aim to put buyers in touch with dealers stocking their car of choice too. As leasing grows in popularity, and value, we wanted to answer the questions potential new car buyers may have

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News from the Terras and Magpies

Dogged Dorchester defending delivers a point

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A SUPERB team performance saw Dorchester Town carry on the good work from their win at high flying Sutton United the previous week, with another dogged display against an Eastbourne Borough, side who are themselves hunting promotion.

Tommy Widdrington's high fliers came to The Avenue on the back of three victories, and he might have expected his team of expensive players to bulldoze Phil Simkin's budget side into submission, and whilst they did have by far the majority of the possession, particularly in the second-half, they could not find breach them.

Simkin made one change from the previ-

ous week; Jake Smeeton having recovered from injury replacing Dan Way at left back.

Jack Twyford who had an excellent game wide left for the Magpies almost got his side off to a flying start within 40 seconds of the start, but his 30-yard drive just dipped over Craig Ross' crossbar following good work by Jamie Gleesson.

Harry Bell became the first of several players book by the officious and annoying refereeing of Neil Radford from Worcester on eight minutes in what was never a bad tempered game.

Dorchester did have a big let-off on 16 minutes when Jack Deaman crashed a header against the crossbar from Frankie Raymond's corner, but they responded

three minutes later with their best opportunity of the game.

New signing Sam Lanahan making his home debut threaded the ball through to Brandon Goodship wide on the left, who picked out Nick Crittenden on the opposite flank. The former Glover neatly played the ball into the onrushing Jake Wakefield, whose close range flicked volley was well saved by Ross.

That was about the sum total of the goal-mouth action in the first-half as the Magpies defended stoutly as the Sussex side tried to find a way past.

Deaman had a chance of putting the visitors ahead nine minutes into the second-half when Simon Johnson's shot was

deflected into his path, but taken by surprise he looped his volley over the top from close range.

Goodship battling alone in the main up front made a good run into the penalty area but was eventually crowded out earning a non-productive corner.

Despite Eastbourne's pressure, Alan Walker-Harris in the Magpies goal had a relatively easy afternoon, although he was called upon to save Gary Hart's header from a corner midway through the half.

The unfortunate Deaman then almost capitalised on Smeeton's stray header back to his 'keeper from Adam Watts' cross, but having got to the ball first, he could only head it over the goal.

The crowd were treated to a piece of comedy on 83 minutes and, perhaps perceived retribution for his overzealous obsession to book players for innocuous fouls, when the referee walking backwards, took a tumble when he collided with Wakefield and slowly pirouetted to the ground.

The unfortunate Mr Radford needed treatment from the Dorchester physio for what appeared to be a turned ankle but it did not stop him booking another three players to add to his Saturday night homework.

While a point did not move Dorchester off the bottom of the table, it gave everybody a lift that with two such good performances they may have turned a corner.

West Dorset Youth Indoor Cricket League - latest results

Portland U14 77-4 beat Martinstown 73-4 by 2 wickets

ASKED to bat, Martinstown found runs hard to come by against an accurate bowling attack.

Declan Riley (27 no) produced a classy innings for Martinstown, but the outstanding efforts of Portland in the field never allowed the runs to mount.

Skipper Joe Adkins led the way with outstanding figures of 3-0-9-1 and with William Cotter backing him up by taking a magnificent caught and bowled to finish with figures of 2-0-10-1, the Martinstown innings closed on 73-4.

Portland also struggled for runs. Having reached 14 off the first three overs.

But Adkins led the way with 23 to push Portland over the line with four balls to spare.

Weymouth U14 A 154-3 beat Cerne Valley 154-2 by 3 wickets

CERNE began slowly with only 28 runs coming from the first four overs.

Joe James (2-36) cleaned bowled the dangerous J Downey (11) in the fifth over as the game swung in Weymouth's favour, but good knocks by T.Comibeer (27), Tao White (28) and P.Taylor (25)

along with 22 from D Batt enabled Cerne to set a challenging 153 for victory.

Weymouth got off to a flyer with openers James (45no) and Dominic Webb (27 no) adding 50 runs in the first four overs. With these two having to retire Cerne applied the pressure.

Needing 51 off the last four overs, Ben Dring (16) was run out bringing James back to the wicket.

This proved pivotal as he saw Weymouth home with two balls to spare.

Weymouth B U14 beat Dorchester by walkover

Football round-up

First loss for Chickerell

League Cup - Round One

CUP holders Holt United crashed out at the first hurdle as they were beaten 3-1 at Poole Borough.

Portland United, last season's beaten finalists, went through to the quarter-final with out playing as their opponents Shaftesbury Town were unable to raise a side!

Parley Sports won for the first time in five games to knock-out visiting Weymouth reserves. Sean Zima (2, 22nd and 75th minutes) and Oscar Preece (89) scored for the Terras.

LEAGUE ROUND-UP

CHICKERELL lost for the first time in the Senior Division when they were defeated 2-1 at South Cheriton United.

Fourth placed side Upwey & Broadway beat visitors Sturminster Newton United 3-1 with goals from new signing Lewis Irons and Richard Frost and Ethan Devaney.

The Balti House increased their lead at the top of Division One to three points with 2-1 home win against Milborne Sports with goals from Adam Billings and Tom Grattidge.

Meanwhile, Wincanton Town Reserves beat second placed Weymouth Spartans 3-0.

Poundbury Rovers hoisted themselves up into the top three with 3-2 win against Swanage & Herston Reserves with goals from Steve Oliver (2) and Chris Reader.

RESULTS - November 30th

DPL League Cup: Blandford Utd 1-2 Bridport Res, Ham Rec 2-0 Merley Cobham, Mere Town 2-1 Ham Utd Res, Parley Sports 4-3 Weymouth Res, Poole Boro 3-1 Holt Utd, Portland Utd w/o Shaftesbury, Swanage & H 0-4 Cranborne, Wareham Rangers 3-4 Tintinhull.

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lands, Portesham v Portland Town, Shaftesbury Res v Wareham Rang Res, Sturm Newton Utd Res v Parley Res, Wyke Regis v Chickerell Utd Res.

Division Three - AFC Blandford v Handley Sports v Bere Regis Res v Mere Res, Broadstone v Donhead Utd, Henstridge v Stickland, Maiden Newt & C v Sturm Marshall Res, Portland Town Res v Stalbridge.

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FIXTURES - Saturday, December 7th

Senior League

Chickerell Utd v Kingstone Lacy, Okeford v Upwey & Broadway, Piddletrenthide v Blandford Utd Res, Portland United Reserves v Corfe Mullen, Sturm Marshall v Witchampton, Sturm Newton United v Gillingham Town Reserves, Westland Sports v South Cheriton Utd.

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Dorset League Division Three

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Broadstone Res v Maiden Newton & Catt, Marnhull v Okeford Res, Piddletrenthide Res v Corfe Castle Res, Portland Utd Youth v Lytchett RT Youth, Wool & Winfrith v Handley Sp Res.

Rugby round-up

Will quickly back with a try

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THE visitors were first to score almost from the kick-off, but Ryan Lewenden made them pay almost immediately for not rolling away in the tackle when he converted two quick penalties.

Encouraged by this, Weymouth worked hard from the restart and put outside centre Joe Gibson in space to score in the corner, but the visitors scored just before the break to reduce the halftime score to 11-10.

Gibson scored again in the corner soon after the resumption as Weymouth pushed their opponents back, and although Elingham tried to get back in the game they were thwarted by the Seasiders defence.

Weymouth's next try came from an interception on their own 22 by Sean Murphy; he offloaded in the tackle to Ade Walker to feed winger Khylo Farley to score under the posts; Lewenden added the extras.

The visitors refused to concede and continued to attack the Weymouth line and eventually they crossed the white wash in the corner, but were hit by good finish from Weymouth who added three tries before the end.

Will Quick scored in his first game back after a long injury, extras added by Ryan Lewenden, before Alex Hawkins went over with the extras added by fly half Gareth Owens. Hooker Ryan Keable Kinsella scored the last to give the Seasiders a well-earned victory.

Gladiators lose battle but gain confidence

DORCHESTER 3RD (GLADIATORS) 12 WIMBORNE 3RD 43

THE Gladiators showed real intent to re-enter the leagues next season, with a magnificent 22 players turning out for only their second game of the season. It was especially heartening to see five new faces, who will hopefully become regulars.

The last few matches at this level between these clubs have been physical affairs, and this was no different.

The main difference this time was that Dorchester had the forward dominance, while Wimborne's entire back line

seemed to be fast and agile, instead of just one or two of them.

The game started with Dorchester getting outflanked on the left, letting in an early try. However, the forwards struck a few minutes later, loosehead Luke Doherty, one of three father- and son combinations, reaching out for the score.

While Dorchester managed to rumble up the field several times, with a couple of impressive driving mauls and the backs also coming close with a chip ahead by wing Matt Bradshaw just being touched down by the visiting fullback, they did not manage to quite get over the visitors' line again in the first half.

Conversely, when Wimborne had possession, although their forwards did not make much headway they were able to retain the ball for long enough for the Dorchester defence to become stretched.

The Wimborne hooker and captain was particularly energetic, being first to practically every breakdown to secure the visitors' ball and disrupt Dorchester possession.

The second half was even for a long time. Dorchester's forwards had achieved dominance in the scrum, though the line-out for both sides was a bit of a lottery.

The home forwards even managed a few offloads, making rapid progress up the pitch, getting to within metres of the visitors' line, but it was the backs who capitalised; full-back James Bickley scoring an excellent individual try from a Wimborne clearing kick, dodging several tacklers. Gareth Jones converted.

Wimborne were galvanised by this and again started finding gaps, their flanker benefitting from a simple two-on-one to go under the posts untouched.

Although conceding a large number of points, the Gladiators captain Allan Bickley said the forward dominance was excellent, and with more time playing together the co-ordination should improve, leading to better defence and more penetrating attack.

The Gladiators were very grateful to Wimborne for the game, and look forward to visiting them in the New Year. Special thanks should also go to referee Tony Foot who stepped in at very short notice.

The Gladiators' third match of the season is next weekend, at Weymouth 3rds.

Cowboys teach college a lesson

Weymouth Cowboys 58 Exeter College 30

EXETER & DISTRICT BASKETBALL LEAGUE DIV 2

WEYMOUTH started with a mixture of experience and youth to help combat such a youthful side and the first quarter was very competitive with Weymouth playing a man-to-man system.

This proved very successful as they finished first quarter leading 13-2 with baskets from Dunster, Turner and Canham.

The second quarter followed a similar pattern as the first quarter with more baskets from Canham, Stoker and Camp to help Weymouth outscore Exeter College by six points, leaving the

half-time score at 29-12.

The second-half was where Weymouth had their traditional third-quarter syndrome.

When the man-to-man defence had failed, coach Alex Fuhrmann decided to switch to zonal.

Unfortunately Weymouth put themselves into foul trouble through a lack of concentration, but still managed to maintain the 17 points advantage gained in the first half.

With zonal marking not proving effective Fuhrmann switch back to man-to-man marking and the fourth quarter saw the Cowboys which saw them get back on track, the decision being more inspirational when Dun-

ster fouled out with seven minutes left to play.

Weymouth wanted the ball more with MVP Camp and De Bertrand helping to tick the scoreboard over.

For the final couple of minutes Fuhrmann put all the members of the roster that were in foul trouble on the court at the same time.

This worked as the defence was near on impossible to get through with College only scoring five points in the whole of the fourth quarter.

Roster: Josh Turner 12, Ben Stoker 12, Jim DeBerard 11, Chris Canham 10, Richie Camp 8, Brett Dunster 3, Rob Legg 2, Max Gilmartian Jerry Thompson.

Dorchester & District Snooker

RESULTS and tables as at December 1st: Colliton XQ2013 4 Trinity Gooduns 3, WDC Whipping Boys 0 Colliton Hopefuls 6, Trinity M 2 Colliton XQ2013 5, Trinity Gooduns v West Dorset Club A (to finish - score so far 4-1) Purbeck Potters 6 Colliton Cons 1.

30+ breaks: S.Rhone (36), G.Bartlett (32).
Top break of the season: Evan Wellman (67).

Table (week 9)	Pld	Pts
Colliton Hopefuls.....	7	30
Trinity M.....	7	29
Trinity Gooduns.....	7	29
Purbeck Potters.....	7	28
Colliton XQ2013.....	7	27
Trinity Express.....	8	28
Colliton Cons.....	7	27
West Dorset Club A.....	4	21
WDC Whipping Boys.....	8	21

Team Handicap Knock-out Cup - Round Two

draw Colliton XQ 2013 v WDC Whipping Boys - Monday December 9th, Colliton Hopefuls v Colliton Cons - Tuesday December 10th, Trinity M v Trinity Express - Wednesday December 11th, Purbeck Potters v Trinity Gooduns - Thursday December 12th.

Upcoming re-arranged league matches:

Trinity M v West Dorset Club A (Dec 4th), West Dorset Club A v Purbeck Potters (Dec 9th), Colliton XQ 2013 v West Dorset Club A - Monday December 16th, Colliton Cons v Colliton Hopefuls - To finish score 2-3, West Dorset Club A v Trinity Gooduns - To finish score 4-1.

Bridport Darts League

Division One	Pld	Pts
BSC.....	11	19
Robs Robbers.....	10	18
Nomads.....	11	15
Times Up.....	10	14
All Stars.....	10	13
Nags Head A.....	10	10
Knapp Inn.....	10	8
Young Guns.....	9	8
Hands of Time.....	9	7
Surely that's engh.....	10	5
Odd Bods.....	10	2
Dat Team.....	10	1

Most 180s: Mark Munro (All Stars), Terry Prowse (Rob's Robbers), Graham Knight (Nomads) all 4.
Win %: Graham Knight (Nomads) 100% (11/11)

Division Two	Pld	Pts
One for the Vikings.....	10	17
Odds or Us.....	10	15
Rubber Johns.....	10	15
Elders.....	10	14
Young Darters.....	10	11
Royal Hawks.....	9	8
One Direction.....	9	7
The Surgeons.....	10	7
Poachers.....	9	6
Bob's Boys.....	10	4
Broken Arrows.....	9	2

Most 180s: Mike Day (One for the Vikings), Kenny Poole (One Direction) both x3.
Win %: Dave Churchill (One for the Vikings), Nick Quinton (Odds or Us) both 100% (10/10).

Division Three	Pld	Pts
Anchor Vale View's.....	8	15
Flashes Fives.....	9	15
Anchor Five.....	8	11
Time Bombs.....	8	11
Only Just.....	8	9
Inbetweeners.....	8	6
Mozzies Heroes.....	8	5
The Capercaillies.....	8	4
Odd & Sods.....	9	3
Midnight Runners.....	8	3

Most 180s: Paul Bearpark (Odds & Sods) x2.
Win %: Paul Gumbrell (Inbetweeners), Andre Reynolds (Time Bombs) both 100%.

Division Four	Pld	Pts
Tiger Bees.....	10	13
Otter Rotters.....	9	13
The Royal Nuts.....	9	13
Tip Top Odds.....	9	12
Sorted Odds.....	9	11
Doggers.....	9	10
All the Kings Men.....	9	10
Sue's Rebels.....	9	6
No Direction.....	9	5
Con Artists.....	9	4
Greyhound.....	9	3

Most 180s: Five players x1.
Win %: Three players 100%

Ladies Div One	Pld	Pts
Tender Trap.....	9	16
Anchor Aces.....	9	14
Clocking On.....	9	14
Knight 'n' Gals.....	9	14
Queenies of the Cl.....	9	8
Sue's Rebels.....	9	8
Kings Arrows.....	9	6
Next Door.....	9	5
Queen Bees.....	9	5
Castaways.....	9	0

Most 180s: Sharon Poole (Clocking On) 1.
Win %: Sarah Chick (Tender Trap) 100% (9/9)

Ladies Div Two	Pld	Pts
Cliff Hangers.....	7	11
Against the Odds.....	7	10
Wildcats.....	7	10
Good Mates.....	7	6
Dougalls Dollies.....	7	5
Anchors Aweigh.....	7	5
Charlie's Angels.....	7	5
Tiger Stripes.....	7	4

Most 180s: None.
Win %: Brenda Bartlett (Anchors Aweigh) 100% (7/7)

Bridport Rugby

Brown skates home for last gasp Blues

SWANAGE & WAREHAM 2ND 8
BRIDPORT 11

BRIDPORT won this game at the death when Blues Canadian ice hockey star, Dave Smith, skated around two Swanage tacklers to score in the corner in the final seconds of the game.

Sadly the rugby did not match the fine conditions on a perfect day at the Wareham ground as Bridport's last gasp try in the closing seconds of a shapeless, error-strewn, frustrating afternoon was the only consolation.

The visiting Blues started the game with more verve than in recent outings.

Initially there was parity in the scrums but Bridport had height advantage in the line-outs. Each side had quite a different approach to the match; Swanage wanted to play rumble rugby with their hefty pack and chunky centres, while Bridport wanted to get the ball out to their speedy backs.

The Blues loose forward, Ayo, was a Trojan in the loose play and full back Tom Fulleger made some thrusting runs on the occasions the ball actually got to him.

There was only one unsuccessful attempt at the posts during the whole of the first half and both try lines remained unthreatened.

The home side's bulldozer strategy led to their first score early in the second half.

To repeated calls to slow the game from their coach, they frustrated Bridport into giving away a penalty in front of their own posts.

An easy three points to take the lead.

The visitors were soon able to draw level with a long-range penalty from Rory Greening, but the Swanage juggernaut persisted with grinding forward play down the left wing for a try hidden under a big pile of big bodies.

No conversion gave the home side an 8-3 lead and things did not look good for the Blues.

Bridport seemed to be suffering from the curse of the failed final pass. Up front the war of the props was getting very steamy.

Young Blues tight head, Justin Gurd, was getting the better of his senior and more experienced opposite number; repeatedly popping him up in the air.

Swanage swapped props but the result was just the same and the Gurd grin got even wider.

Deep Swanage frustration led them to give away valuable territory with repeated scrummage penalties. Greening managed to get one of these penalties over to reduce the home lead to 8-6.

Bridport then played their ace with shades of the All Blacks in Dublin recently. They won the ball from a scrum, passed it down the line and Smith scored in the corner, and although not converted, it meant an 11-8 victory to the Blues, but they must do better next week at North Dorset (Gillingham).

◆ **A wide-ranging CPD coaching development course is to be held at the club next Wednesday (December 11th) between 6.30 pm**

and 8 pm. It will be led by RFU coach educator Nevil Jeffrey. Details from Allan Staerck on 01308 420801.

Vickery hat-trick sees Blues cruise

BRIDPORT 2ND 50 WEYMOUTH 3RD 10
BRIDPORT 2nd's won convincingly against the Weymouth 3rds in a game which saw the winger Aiden Vickery score a hat trick of tries (writes Amy van Zyl).

After an unexpected arrival of a deer onto the pitch in last week's game, Bridport was left wishing for these extra four legs as both teams started without a full complement of players.

The match looked like it could be quite well-matched, with both sides level pegging and impressive drives met by strong defence.

A line-out in Weymouth's 22 gave Bridport their first real shot at getting points on the board; set up well, Aiden Vickery broke through and scored the first try.

A conversion from Rob Parker, saw Bridport 7-0 up after 20 minutes.

Quick handling by Bridport saw Vickery surge forward with another identical try.

After initial success Bridport's ball play began to lose momentum. Poor discipline saw Weymouth break through the home defence right on the line, and a lost scrum and three penalties against Bridport resulted in Weymouth closing the gap to 12-5.

Bridport quickly regained composure and territory. Outstanding interplay from forwards Dommet and Will Challis, set up a brilliant try for Chris Lamb, his first for the Blues. Despite numerous penalties, Bridport's clever distribution provided them with a half time lead.

In the second half Bridport followed up their success with a string of tries, again set-up by the forwards. Successful conversions from Mark Gough resulted in a favourable score board of 31-5 well into the second-half.

Weymouth responded with a try, although this was too late as Bridport had dominated territory throughout.

The game ended 50-10, with Bridport having shown both a brilliant team effort and the benefits of having experienced 'senior' players on the team.

BRIDPORT YOUTH

BRIDPORT U13 17 ST. JAMES BOYS 27
BRIDPORT Under 13s hosted St. James Boys an Independent School from West London on Sunday.

Although they lost be ten points they played with great determination, especially in the last 15 minutes, that will serve them well as the season progresses.

Fine work between forwards and backs saw Bridport scoring three tries with Toby Taylor, Jude Atkinson and Guy Brazier crossing the white-wash with Joe O'Hagan converting one.

BRIDPORT Under 11s played two games on a visit to Sherborne

CHESHAM 21 BRIDPORT 5
THE first match was played against Chesham, a visiting school to Sherborne. Bridport fronted up to the well drilled school and and gave them a hard fought victory.

Although the touring side score three tries that were all converted, Bridport gave a very good account of themselves and should be proud of their performance.

Their try came from man-of-the-match Taelor Hopgood, who was always supporting his team's runs, from which he scored his try following a 30-metre run.

SHERBORNE 14 BRIDPORT 5
PLAYING back-to-back games, Bridport got off to an encouraging start when a great lineup gave Ryan Phillips the chance to peel off and explode through three players to score the first try.

Following the first match performance it looked like Bridport could really gel together and take their hard fought confidence and win this game.

However they allowed Sherborne to have the ball to many times and they scored two quick converted tries which put a different complexion on the game as Bridport tried to turn it around.

In a final push of continuous pressure Bridport were camped a metre from the line when the referee blew for time! Oliver Wells was voted man-of-the-match.

Bridport & Dist skittles League

Division A	Pld	Pts
Wanderers.....	7	14
Denhay Farm.....	8	10
Masters.....	8	10
Shipfaced.....	6	10
Rejects.....	8	8
Rockets.....	7	8
Rough Eight.....	8	8
Slingers.....	8	8
Smithys Boys.....	8	6
Broad Oak.....	7	4
The Dingles.....	7	4
Nelson Nobblers.....	8	0

Division B	Pld	Pts
Gerrytrics.....	7	11
Lively Lads.....	7	10
Miss the Ball.....	8	10
Outsiders.....	7	10
Bangers.....	7	6
Crazy Gang.....	6	6
U Know the Bokes.....	6	6
W.Dorset Panthers.....	8	6
Dingbats.....	7	4
NBC.....	6	4
7'Clock.....	7	3

Division C	Pld	Pts
Swimming Club.....	7	10
AFAR.....	7	8
Aussies Lot.....	7	8
Mean Machine.....	6	8
Originals.....	5	8
Bulldogs.....	6	6
LHS.....	6	5
Castouts.....	6	4
Strawpeedoes.....	6	4
Groundhogs.....	6	1

Division D	Pld	Pts
Unknowns.....	7	12
Countrymen.....	7	8
Pioneers.....	7	8
Rob's Rebels.....	5	6
Survivors.....	7	6
Whisky Chasers.....	6	6
Alcoholics.....	6	4
Featherbeds.....	6	4
Let em Roll.....	5	4
Offcuts.....	6	4

Highest individual score:
R.Holt (Rough Eight), W.Huxter (Lively Lads), T.Legg (Lively Lads and N.Willcox (Smithys Boys) all 89.

Ladies Division	Pld	Pts
Brandy Snaps.....	6	10
Hidden Talent.....	5	8
Pinbashers.....	6	8
Yo Yo's.....	5	6
Alleycats.....	4	4
Bad Girls.....	4	2
Tiger Lilies.....	6	2
No Problem.....	4	0

Highest individual score:
S.Yeatman (Brandy Snaps) 82.

HOCKEY

Young guns too hot for Salisbury

Beaminster 3 Salisbury 3rd 1

WITH a wealth of experience stood on the touchline due to injuries, a team of young Beaminster Ladies Hockey club players stepped up to the plate to produce a win that shows just how much they have improved this season.

What they lacked in experience they made up with determination, hard work and flashes of brilliance as they overcame a dogged Salisbury side that withstood a lot of pressure from the home attack, but showed in two brief spells either side of half-time what a threat they could be.

However, if Beaminster could have converted more of the numerous chances they created, they would have won the game by half-time.

The West Dorset side were strengthened by Jackie Gape, back from university for the weekend, and she played in an unfamiliar cen-

tral defensive role, allowing the other experienced players to spread themselves throughout the team.

Beaminster could have had four goals in the first ten minutes but for some poor finishing and dogged defending from the Salisbury defence, most notably the goalkeeper.

Such was the pressure that it was 21 minutes before the home 'keeper Lisa Condliffe touched the ball.

After a goal less first half Beaminster were ahead within a minute of the resumption.

A sweeping move down the right saw Hannah Dale play the ball into the D for Danni Donovan to slot past the keeper, who almost immediately denied the goalscorer adding another with a smart save.

Donovan was not to be deprived however when she was once again available to take Andrea Thomas' pass on 43 minutes to drive the ball home.

The home workrate appeared to drop after this perhaps assuming job done, and Salisbury had a dominant spell which saw them gain a life line 13 minutes from the end.

Four minutes later however Gape ventured forward and after a mazy dribble inside the D where she beat three defenders she lost the ball and seemingly the opportunity, but a lucky rebound saw the ball back at her feet and she slid it past the 'keeper.

Beaminster: Condliffe, Simmonds, Gape, Littleproud, Campbell, Donovan, Dale, Davies, Prentice, Stewart, Foote.

Hawks hit ten

WEST DORSET HAWKS 10SIDM'TH & OTTERY C 0
STEVE Mearing helped himself to five goals as West Dorset Hawks blasted ten past a hapless Sidmouth & Ottery C on Saturday.

Three up in five minutes, the Colfox based

outfit cruised to an easy victory over the bottom South East 1 side to maintain their own fourth spot on goal difference.

The visitors were simply outclassed by the Hawks who after a poor start due to player unavailability have now won seven of their last eight, only dropping points in a draw at third placed Yeovil and Sherborne A the week before.

Besides Mearing's nap hand, there were three for Mike Thomas, whilst skipper Russell Coombs and Alex Davies with a late penalty stroke also scored for the Hawks who led 5-0 at half-time.

West Dorset A also continued their good form with a 2-0 victory at second from bottom OPMB in South East 3 that sees them comfortably maintain their fourth spot.

They face a tough match this Saturday when they entertain Chard A who are just above them in third.

CHARD & DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB

Runaway win for in form Chard

CHARD & District Swimming Club easily won the second round of the Western Division Arena Swimming League held in Weston-super-Mare recently.

Chard, comprising a squad of 33, led straight from the start and maintained a comfortable lead over the other five teams competing, gaining 43 top three positions in the 50 events, with an outstanding 17 first positions. This performance enabled them to finish first overall, 46 points clear of the rest of the field.

Individual top three places, including eleven 1st places, went to:

Open: Luke van den Barselaar (3rd 100m Individual Medley and 100m Freestyle), Hannah Pullinger (3rd 100m Individual Medley and 100m Freestyle), Jake Hallam (1st 100m Breaststroke and 2nd 100m Butterfly), Ben Fowler (1st 100m Backstroke), Tessa Down (1st

100m Breaststroke), Melissa Hanson (2nd Girls 100m Backstroke).

15/Under: Oliver Bilbie (1st 100m Backstroke and 3rd 100m Freestyle), Jamie Pullinger (1st 100m Breaststroke), Iain Ross (3rd 100m Butterfly), Hope Horsfield (3rd Girls 100m Freestyle).

13/Under: Bea Brett (1st 50m Butterfly and 50m Backstroke), Henry Taswell (1st 50m Backstroke and 50m Butterfly), Leo Kindred (3rd 50m Breaststroke), Ben Greenslade (3rd 50m Freestyle).

11/Under: Xanthe Dyer (1st 50m Breaststroke and 50m Butterfly), Daisy Brett (2nd 50m Backstroke), Joss Copeman (2nd 50m Freestyle 50m Butterfly), Baylei Callow (2nd 50m Freestyle), Louis Rood (3rd 50m Backstroke), Oli Bright (3rd Breaststroke).

The Relay Teams also showed some determined swimming, with 15 top positions including six first places going to

the Boys Open Freestyle team of van den Barselaar, Hallam, Fowler, Joe Spurway, Bilbie and Paul Harrison; the Boys 15/Under Freestyle and Medley team of Pullinger, Bilbie, Lewis Pearson, Harrison and Ross;

Girls 11/Under Freestyle and Medley team of Daisy Brett, Megan Herbert, Dyer, Callow and Holly Dickinson; and the Boys 11/Under Freestyle team of Rood, Jimmy Brett, Bright and Copeman.

Congratulations to all the swimmers for another great performance, and a big thank you to all the Club coaches, officials, team managers, and time-keepers and all who helped to make the event a success.

Chard now look forward to another strong performance in the final Round in December when they will be hoping to secure enough points for promotion.



Football - Bees news

Clarke strike sees Bees progress in League Cup

BLANDFORD UTD 1 BRIDPORT RESERVES 2
GOALS from Gary Bulman and Ben Clarke saw Bridport Reserves home in a tricky League Cup tie at Blandford United.

Manager Robin Townsend faced team selection problems when he was left with only ten fit players available on Friday, but he drafted in Zak Hawker who played at left back and Rhys Hayter who was substitute from the 3rd team.

It was not ideal with only the League Cup to play for apart from the league itself, but Townsend moved Sean Stewart to partner man-of-the-match Ashley Clarke in the middle of the defence and it worked to perfection.

Although it took the Bees 10 minutes to get going, Blandford could not convert the couple of half chances they created.

At the other end the home keeper produced a good save to prevent Jack Scovell scoring, but eventually he was beaten when a superb one touch team move down the centre of the field involving Harry Fleet, Scovell and Ben Clarke, ended with Gary Bulman passing the ball into the net from 20 yards.

This gave the Bees impetus and they created more chances which should have given them a bigger interval lead.

Townsend pleased with his side's domination and attitude emphasised the importance of the next goal and hoped his halftime team talk would ensure they maintained their advantage.

However after an even start to the second period, Blandford equalised on the hour when Simon Hyde got the better of Hawker before firing a magnificent equaliser for the Royals.

'Keeper Billy Fleet then made a terrific save, tip-

ping a header from a corner over the top to stop the hosts taking the lead.

Bridport dug in and after creating a couple more chances that better finishing would have appreciated, got the winner with six minutes left when Tristan Gale wide left, fed Ben Clarke who drove the ball into the corner of the net from 18 yards for the winner.

Townsend said: "I was well pleased in the circumstances. We still need to work on our finishing having created and missed a few good chances, but we showed character and backbone after they equalised, and we now look to build on that."

Late equaliser saves 3rds

BRIDPORT 3RDS 3 POOLE BOROUGH RESERVES 3
IT looked as if Poole Borough Reserves would complete the double over Bridport having caused a shock in the Dorset Senior Trophy by beating Bridport Reserves just two weeks ago.

Leading 2-0 midway through the second-half, they went back ahead in the second-half, but had to finally share the points when Dom McAllister popped up with an equaliser.

The Bees once again failed to get off to a good start and after 20 minutes were two goals down. It could have been worse but for a tremendous double save from Mark Franklin that stopped it being three.

A Ryan Gall effort and an own goal got the Bees level early in the second-half, but the visitors eased ahead again before McAllister popped up to earn the 3rds a point.

Colts tamed

BRIDPORT U14 7 POOLE WESSEX COLTS 1

BRIDPORT'S last home game of the year turned out to be a very successful day at the office.

Poole never looked like giving a very confident Bridport team problems and right from the kick-off the hosts went straight at the visitors, ripping them to pieces in midfield with attack after attack.

Despite the Poole keeper being very competent, he couldn't keep the home team out and they eventually opened the scoring through Callan Lowden.

Four fine goals, two each for man-of-the-match Samuel Handyside and Jake Rowland, followed before Poole pulled one back from a finely taken free-kick.

However Bridport increased their lead and authority on the game with goals from Thomas Hyde and a coolly taken goal from Harry Kirby.

Bridport now focus on their cup next week before a break over the Christmas period.

Older Poppies too strong

BOURNMOUTH POPPIES U18s 4 BRIDPORT U17s 1
FOLLOWING their decisive wins over Corfe Mullen and Parley Sports, Bridport U17s travelled east to play Bournemouth Poppies in the quarter-finals of the U18s Dorset Cup.

The odds were always going to favour the Poppies who are unbeaten in Dorset Division One under 18s.

Nonetheless, despite entering the game with their characteristic optimism the visitors got off to

a poor start, conceding to a Poppies header after just 15 minutes.

The Bees soon settled and fought back hard and a well worked series of passes culminated in a succinct finish by Sam Tabner around the half hour mark, levelling the scores.

Bridport continued to press forward and looked to be turning the match around, but couldn't find a second goal before the closure of the half.

Unfortunately, this would prove to be of dire consequence as right from the restart, Poppies broke away and scored via a terrific shot from the edge of the box putting them back into the lead.

This time however, Bridport's response was not one of pragmatism, but lethargy and as the hosts attacked with confidence; their defence soon gave way, giving Poppies a two-goal lead.

Tensions rose as Bridport tried desperately to muster some form of retort but their fraught efforts were eventually silenced by a fourth Poppies goal; this time supplied by Bridport's Jonah Ayunga, heading a corner into his own net.

Bridport Manager Terry Warren said: "I really felt at half-time that we had an opportunity to take the match by the scruff of the neck, but we just weren't sharp enough."

"It's a measure of how good a team we have here at the U17s that we all feel disappointed not to be progressing to the semi-final."

Edwards Charity Cup gets underway

THIS Season's Edwards Charity Cup gets under way tomorrow (Thursday) when Pymore play Waytown Hounds in the first quarter final.

The match, at St Mary's Field, kicks-off at 7.30pm

Current tables

Toolstation Prem	Pld	GD	Pts
Gillingham Town	21	39	50
Larkhall Athletic	17	37	49
Bristol Manor Farm	17	38	43
Street	19	6	33
Odd Down	18	13	33
Willand Rovers	20	4	32
Brislington	15	8	27
Cadbury Heath	18	4	27
Melksham Town	19	-7	26
Hallen	15	7	25
Bitton	18	0	25
Buckold Athletic	17	3	23
BRIDPORT	19	1	23
Longwell Green	16	-8	20
Winterbourne Utd	16	-8	15
Slimbridge	18	-16	15
Hengrove Athletic	18	-23	12
Radstock Town	17	-25	12
Sherborne Town	18	-19	11
Ilfracombe Town	15	-21	11
Bishop Sutton	19	-33	11

Dorset Premier	Pld	GD	Pts
Merley Cobham	16	18	33
PORTLAND UNITED	15	31	32
Hamworthy Rec	17	28	32
WEYMOUTH RES	17	19	31
Mere Town	15	15	27
Shaftesbury Town	18	-9	25
Blandford United	16	-23	23
BRIDPORT RES	16	5	22
Swanage & Herston	17	-2	22
Tintinhull	16	-3	22
Wareham Rangers	16	1	21
Hamworthy Utd Res	16	-7	21
Holt United	19	-18	17
Parley Sports	18	-19	17
Cranborne	17	-37	16
Poole Borough	17	-13	15
Sherborne Town Res	16	-7	14

Dorset Division 1	Pld	GD	Pts
Balti House	11	8	25
Weymouth Spartans	12	-1	22
Poundbury Rovers	11	8	21
Milborne Sports	10	17	19
Dorchester Sports	10	9	17
Wincanton Res	9	7	16
Kangaroos	10	4	13
Swanage & Herst Res	11	-4	13
Bridport 3rds	10	-2	11
AFC Cobham	10	-10	11
Poole Borough Res	9	-1	10
Stourpaine	12	-12	8
Bere Regis	9	-23	1

Bowls

Dorch on top in national club comp

BRIDPORT Ladies interest in this year's National Inter Club Knockout Competition for the **Yetton Trophy** Plate ended when they were beaten on all four rinks by **Dorchester**.

However, they bounced back well to beat **Bournemouth (B)** 49-29 overall in the County League.

Francis Hewitt, Laura Taylor, Pat Cornick and Margaret Clapp were top rink winning 26-14, ably backed up by Gill Hunt, Liz Walker, Millie Meech and Ann Turtell's 23-15 victory.

It was a fitting finish for Meech, who is standing down as Captain after two seasons of tremendous commitment to the club.

In the Purbeck Trophy League, Martin Wilton, Keith Brooks and Ivor Parker picked up two points for the A team at the **Dolphin (Poole)** winning 18-15, Robin Pither, Derek Harp and Bill Payne winning 19-17 at Wellworthy. For the B team, Dave Roberts, Peter Scott and Brian Consibee lost 12-14 leaving Bridport with three points for a draw.

In the County Mixed League, Bridport had a fine 87-75 overall win over Bournemouth B.

At home Mary Marsh, Derek Fitzgerald, Francis Hewitt and Bob Taylor, and Pat Cowmeadow, David Aylott, Sue and Brian Walsh both trailed early on before strong finishes saw Taylor's four storm home 30-18, and Sue Walsh finishing 2,1,2 for a 17-16 win.

At Bournemouth, Lyn Craddock, Rosie and Martin Wilton and Brian Rumble won 27-7; Sue Gentry, Mike Craddock, Liz Walker and Max Dare going down however 13-24.

Searle gives Bridport crowd a lift with victory

THERE was disappointment for local boxers at the latest Bridport Amateur Boxing Club tournament held at the Freshwater Holiday Park, on Saturday with only Luke Searle victorious in the 20-bout event.

Thirteen year-old Searle won a majority verdict over Willenhall's Levi Kerry to claim victory in the third bout of the night, and in so doing won him the best Bridport Boxer on the Night Trophy.

A full house of around 500 were treated to a full evening of entertainment along with the club's guests, The Mayor of Bridport Cllr Maggie Ray and the Mayor's Escort Cllr Martin Ray, who presented the trophies.

The evening started with the presentation of The Brian Richards Memorial Belt, a simulated world title belt, for the best Bridport boxer of the year, which was presented to 14-year-old Lucien Sherwood by the club's joint founder and head coach Alan Slaney.

Bridport's Jess Boyle opened the evening but was beaten on points by Billy Smith from Stur-

minster Newton, both having their first fights.

Both Robert Zajac and Kyle Sheehan from Bridport found Willenhall boxers too good for them on the night, losing on points to Brogan White and Terry Burgess respectively.

Russell Oldbury had to retire just seconds before the end of his bout with Devonport's Darren Townley, whilst Bridport club mate Jack Chatham found Kris Menzies from Tamaer too hot to handle with the referee stopping it in the first.

There was success for two Weymouth boxers however; Lewis Chambers won a majority decision over Blandford's Harry Cracknell, whilst Jamie Burt was forced to retire in the first round against the giant Lee Thompson.

Organiser Alan Slaney said: "Once again it was a great night of boxing, and I would like to thank all the sponsors for their kind support in backing us once again."

"I would like to thank the crowd for also supporting us and making it such a good night, and of course the boxers and their clubs who once

again provided a wonderful night's entertainment."

Results: Billy Smith (Sturminster) beat Jess Boyle (Bridport) unan pts; Harry Sasse (Tamar) beat Lee Hoggett (Avalon) unan pts; Luke Searle (Bridport) beat Levi Kerry (Willenhall) maj pts, Lenny Gill (Golden Ring) beat Reed Carless (Heart of Devon) rsf 2nd; Brogan White (Willenhall) beat Robert Zajac (Bridport) unan pts; Bradley Jones (Golden Ring) beat Joe Bowers (Avalon) unan pts; Austin Southall (Golden Ring) beat Jack Silk (Lympstone) maj pts; Stephen Clarke (Sturminster Newton) beat Marcus Preddy (Willenhall, Coventry) maj pts; Darren Townley (Devonport) beat Russell Oldbury (Bridport) ret 3rd; Sam Arnold (Sturminster) beat Reece Ciani (Heart of Portsmouth) unan pts; Sherkhan Ahmed ((Golden Ring) beat Jonathan Fenton-Harvey (Lympstone) maj pts; Ryan Hibberd (Devonport) beat Jake Abraham (Paignton) maj pts; Tim Askins (Blackmoor Vale) beat Taaron Kellett (Avalon) rsf 2nd; Terry Burgess (Willenhall) beat Kyle Sheehan (Brid-



■ BRIDPORT'S BEST: Luke Searle (right) pictured with his opponent Levi Kerry and the Mayor's Escort Cllr Martin Ray

port) unan pts; Daniel Ford (Poole) beat Brendan Cox (Blackmore Vale) rsf 2nd; Sam Westwood (Tamar) beat Dean Swift (Bournemouth) maj pts; Lewis Chambers (Weymouth) beat Harry Cracknell (Blandford) maj pts; Kris Menzies (Tamar) beat Jack Chatham (Bridport) rsf 1st; Robert Drake (Broadplain) beat Nathan Cox (Devonport) maj pts; Lee Thompson (Weymouth) beat Jamie Burt (Tamar) rsf 1st.

West Bay Sea Angling

Connor retains the top junior title

ENGLAND international Connor Hallett retained his title as the top junior in the club following the Saturday Junior series of matches that runs from April to October, with Tiana Foot finishing runner-up.

Their successes were celebrated following the recent Juniors v Parents match when the presentation for both competitions took place at the Watchhouse Cafe.

The winners: Saturday Cup (overall winner) – Connor Hallett 5605g; Lambert Trophy (runner-up) – Tiana Foot 2267g;

The Points Trophy (highest points) – Connor Hallett; Points Runner-Up Trophy – Tiana Foot

The Ladies Junior Trophy – Tiana Foot; The Hills Trophy (heaviest fish) – James Lawrence 1328g ballan wrasse; The Tiny Cup (heaviest mackerel) – El-

liot Joy 181g;

The Trevett Cup (heaviest flounder) – Zakjohn Ousley 358g;

The Ben Thomas Trophy (heaviest garfish): Elliot Joy 159g;

The Forward Trophy (most promising junior) – Nathan McMaster

Following an excellent buffet, vice president Maureen Jackson started proceedings with a tribute to the late Fred Bowditch, president of the club, who sadly passed away just weeks before.

Secretary and junior secretary Roger Guppy echoed her sentiments and thanked Mrs Jackson for stepping in to present the prizes and trophies.

As a mark of respect, all present gave a round of applause in the absence of the late president, in recognition of all his hard work and commitment to the club over many decades.

Mr Guppy then thanked those who had supported and helped the junior section over the year with special thanks going to the West Dorset District Council and Harbourmaster, club committee, Hilary Smith, Richard 'Tiny' Daw, Adam Keen of More Bus Company and the Watchhouse Cafe who sponsor the competitions as well as all the other people who have given prizes and helped out throughout the year.

He also thanked Tim Gibb and the staff at the cafe who accommodated the presentation at short notice.

Presentations for the Junior v Parent match followed with the winner, Frances Kitchen, receiving her trophy as overall winner of the event, while the coveted wooden spoon award had to be drawn from a hat, and this year's winner was Paddy McMaster.



◆ SATURDAY JUNIOR TROPHY WINNERS: (l-r) Connor Hallett, Elliot Joy, Nathan McMaster, Aaron Chambers, Zakjohn Ousley, James Lawrence and Tiana Foot, with vice president Maureen Jackson and secretary/junior secretary Roger Guppy centre back.



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INSIDE: Local sport round-up

Magpies Board finally come out in support of Simkin

FINALLY the Dorchester Town board have come out in support of manager Phil Simkin and his team.

In a statement on the club's website before Saturday's home game against Eastbourne Borough, chairman Neil Butterworth paid credit to Simkin, although why it has taken so long is a mystery.

The county town boss and his assistant Stuart Heath have been working with one hand tied behind their backs since the Community Trust took control of the club at the end of last season. Slashing the playing budget by sixty per cent has meant most of the experienced players leaving the club to be replaced by young, inexperienced ones, most of whom have never played anywhere near Skril South level before.

The result of this has seen the club, who had their most successful season in its history last season, make the most abysmal start to this campaign resulting in them plunging to the bottom of the league and having been dumped out of both the FA Cup and FA trophy at the first round.

Despite the tremendous pressure on them, Simkin and Heath have managed to assemble a team which includes two loanees from AFC Bournemouth that hopefully may be able to compete at this level if the last two results, a win and a draw against two of the top sides in the league, are anything to go by.

What is disappointing is that the board have not publically given the management, players or supporters their backing

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until now.

On the field Dorchester once again showed their battling qualities in what Simkin described as: "Without doubt our best home performance of the season. It wasn't pretty but I thought we really deserved a point."

He was absolutely delighted with every one of his players efforts resulting in a second successive clean sheet, and confirmed that this was due to them finally understanding that they have to adapt to the a new style following the loss of so many experienced players.

"We've not been defending well this season, especially at home, but they have finally come to terms with the fact we haven't got the likes of Ashley Nicholls in midfield and we can't play the sort of football we played last season."

"We haven't got the players to do it, so if we can't do that we have to find another way. We've had to go a bit more direct and not leave any space behind our back four."

"That's the way we'll play and if it gets us results then great, and at the end of the day you don't get points for passes."

He added: "The crowd saw a really determined and committed performance from everybody and you can't ask for any more than that."

Loathed to pick anyone out, Simkin did say: "Mark Jermyn and Steve Walker just carried on from last week. I thought there was no way Jem would play watching him walk off last week at Sutton and that he would be out for at least two weeks, and Steve gets better with every game and has finally understood that he has to play to his strengths; he never lost a header all afternoon."

Tactically Simkin got it right. "We knew they play on the break, so I decided we wouldn't give them the chance to do that by sitting a little bit deeper and not committing so many players forward, especially early in the game."

"If we could get it to half-time at 0-0 then we had a chance of winning the game. They are a very good side and cost an absolute fortune but it worked."

"Sam Lanahan has been a real find for us; you don't notice the work he does. He tracked their best player and stopped him playing."

The Magpies boss added: "If we can get something out of every game we play then we've got a chance of staying up."

"I hope later this season, when we're moving up the league a bit more, we'll look back and see Sutton as the thing that kick-started it."

"Sometimes it is days like those that change a season and I just hope it has changed ours. There are going to be days when we can't keep a clean sheet but I'd like to think this is the start of a recovery."



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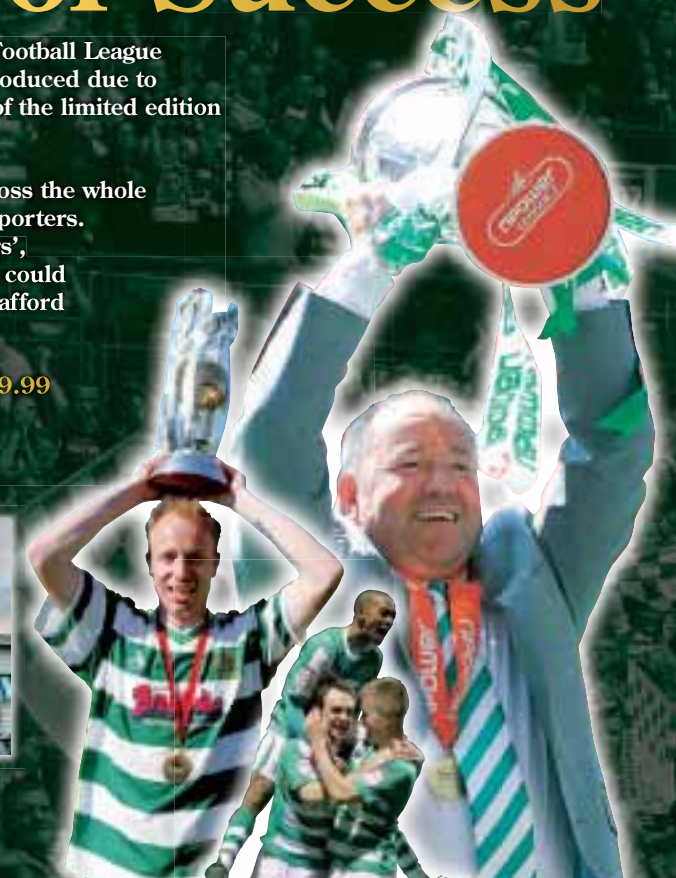
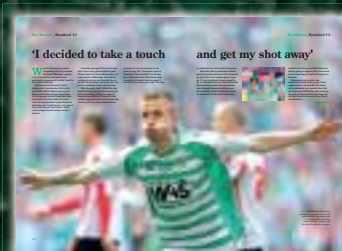
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